

Twenty-six Hong Kong residents receive
St John Ambulance insignias at Government
House . . . Report on Page 5.

The

Hongkong Telegraph.

TODAY'S WEATHER: Moderate or fresh winds from an
easterly quarter; fair today; becoming cloudy tonight; rather mild.
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Inauguration Crowds Jam Washington

Washington, Jan. 19.—Thousands of Americans—sightseers and politicians—are flooding into Washington from all parts of the country to take part in the mammoth four-day celebrations marking President Truman's inauguration tomorrow for his four-year term of office.

A seven-mile long parade, a huge military display and scores of receptions are planned for "Inauguration Week"—the nearest approach to a British Coronation the Americans will ever see.

The hotels here are jammed with visitors determined to watch this typically American combination of official pomp and circus-like jamboree.

Hotel rates have soared four or five times normal prices. Many visitors, unable to find accommodation, have booked in at Philadelphia or Baltimore and intend to come in by air tomorrow.

All seats in the stands, erected at a cost of \$500,000 along the parade route and in front of the Capitol, have been sold and window space is at a premium.

IMPORTANT SPEECH

Mr Truman will deliver one of the most important speeches of his career, in which American foreign policy will probably be the highlight, after he takes his oath of office from Mr. Fred Vinson, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

He will take the oath of office on a \$1,250 bible, weighing 25 pounds, an exact replica of the original 15th-Century Gutenberg Bible.

Most Americans will see and hear the ceremonies by television and radio, beginning with the swearing-in ceremony, and then the Presidential parade in which 40,000 people will take part.

The "Voice of America" overseas radio programme will beam abroad a running account of the ceremonies. The State Department said the overseas programme will carry President Truman's address in his own voice. —Reuter.

New Bill Introduced FOREIGN SECRETARY TO ATTEND CEYLON TALKS

By OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Jan. 19.—The onus of Empire defence in the future is to be placed more upon the Colonies. This divergence from tradition was commented upon by the Earl of Listowel, Minister of State for Colonial Affairs, in the House of Lords yesterday.

Introducing the second reading of the Colonial Naval Defence Bill, he said it was desirable that as many as possible British dependent territories should play a part in the organisation of naval defence.

The new Bill was intended to bring this about by adapting the 1931 Colonial Naval Defence Act to modern requirements.

Lord Listowel said he visualised the establishment of the naval component of the Hongkong Defence Force, and said plans are now well advanced for the raising, by the colony of Singapore, of a Malay-an Naval Force with full-time regular elements and a volunteer reserve which could carry out anti-piracy patrols in Malayan waters.

FAR EAST SECURITY

London, Jan. 19.—Official sources said today that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, was expected to go to Ceylon about May to attend a Commonwealth Foreign Ministers' meeting and conference on a Far Eastern security pact.

While not denying that a suggestion for a meeting was under discussion, the Foreign Office said it was not able to confirm that a date had been fixed.

The suggestion, originally made at the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference in London last year, called for the Foreign Secretary to meet the Foreign Ministers in the Far East and get first-hand information.

An official Dominion source said today: "Discussions are going on to make final arrangements. The situation in the Far East worsens."

It is possible a meeting might be called earlier than planned.

The source confirmed that the talks would be devoted primarily to security, but said the Communist danger in the Far East would be considered, with special emphasis on raising native living standards as a means of resisting Red penetration.

The fact that Mr Bevin is planning to attend the conference is seen as indicating that he has no intention of resigning over the Palestine issue and he considers his health sufficiently good to take the voyage. —United Press.

CONVENIENT VENUE

London, Jan. 19.—The conference of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers will depend on further developments in China and Indonesia. It was learned authoritatively today.

At last October's meeting of Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London, a Foreign Ministers' meeting was suggested, to be held in May this year, and Ceylon's Prime Minister, Mr. Senanayake, extended an invitation for the meeting to be held in Colombo. —It was understood this invitation was accepted.

1. Because Ceylon is the most suitable venue for the discussion of the many Far Eastern problems with which the Commonwealth is confronted.

2. As a compliment to Ceylon as a junior self-governing member of the Commonwealth.

Commonwealth relations sources said at present there was no reason why the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, should not attend the Colombo conference. However, they emphasised no actual date had been fixed.

Authoritative Indian quarters said the meeting was scheduled for May, but "could be held earlier if the situation demands."

It was understood the Commonwealth countries shared Britain's strict neutrality on China, but there were divergent opinions regarding Indonesia. —United Press.

COLLISION IN FOG; 10 KILLED

New York, Jan. 19.—Ten United States Coast Guard men were reported killed and scores burned and injured today in a collision between two American ships in fog off the New Jersey coast.

The vessels were the 3,000-ton cutter, East Wind, and the 10,105-ton tanker, Gulf Stream. The Coast Guard authorities at Boston said the report of the collision was radioed by the cutter's captain.

The American tanker, Suzanne, radioed that she was heading for New York with 17 survivors, two of them seriously injured.

Another American merchant ship, the Junior, reported that she had on board five survivors from the crew of the cutter, which carried a crew of about 100.

A fire was out of control on board the East Wind but under control on the tanker, the Coast Guard said. No casualties were reported from the tanker.

The collision exposed the cutter's ammunition magazines. Fire fighters battled the flames in momentary peril of an explosion, the Coast Guard reported.

The crew of the cutter was ordered to abandon ship when the fire gained control. —Reuter.

Air Raider To Missionary



Jacob Deshazer of Madras, Oregon, who participated in the 1942 Doolittle air raid over Tokyo, greets a young member of the congregation in Tokyo after preaching his first sermon in Japan. Deshazer, a Jap prisoner of war for 40 months, became converted while studying the Bible in a Nanking jail. He studied for missionary work in Seattle and decided to return to Japan as a Methodist missionary. (AP Wirephoto).

Anglo-American Talks On Palestine Reported Entering New Phase

London, Jan. 19.—Britain is reported to be ready to recognise Israel if the United States agrees to a joint overall policy for Palestine and the Middle East. Informants said Britain is prepared to yield on recognition of the Tel-Aviv government in return for American concessions in Middle East policy.

SKIRMISH OVER JURY SYSTEM

New York, Jan. 19.—Eleven United States Communist leaders, charging that the jury system here has been captured by Wall Street and Park Avenue, said today that they might call to the witness stand the senior Federal Judge of this district to prove their point.

Defense counsel said they intended to call and submit to "vigorous attack" Judge John C. Knox, 67, a veteran with 30 years on the Bench. Mr. Justice Knox presided at the Teapot Dome trial of Henry Doutherty and the trial of Louis "Lepke" Buchalter.

The defence asserted that Mr. Knox was the "father" of the "vicious" system of jury selection in this district which discriminated against the poor and the racial minorities and favoured the wealthy who had the most to lose under Communism. A fair trial by such a jury, they said, was impossible.

The lawyers, for the handsome, grey-haired Eugene Dennis, the Party's No. 1 defendant now that William Foster has been excused from the trial, and 10 other defendants are still fighting a complicated legal skirmish to avoid getting down to selection of a jury. On the trial's third day they said the Judge, Mr. Fayard Medina, should not rule on their contention that a jury system is unfair. They said Mr. Justice Medina, or any other judge in the district naturally would uphold the jury system.

Mr. Medina listened to arguments for two and a half hours, then denied the motion and said he would refuse to step aside. —United Press.

Municipal Elections In Tripoli

Tripoli, Jan. 19.—The people of Tripoli went to the polls today for their first municipal elections in history. They will elect a town council of 10 Arabs, three Italians, two Jews and a minority representative.

Municipal elections in the Tripolitanian provinces began six months ago. —Reuter.

They professed not to know just what the British wanted from the Americans.

British sources said the Anglo-American talks on Palestine had entered a new phase, envisaging British recognition of Israel. Sir Oliver Franks, British Ambassador to Washington, submitted fresh British ideas on the overall Palestine problem when he conferred yesterday in Washington with the Acting Secretary of State, Mr. Robert Lovett.

In the Franks-Lovett talks, the overall need for Anglo-American agreement was reported to have been particularly stressed. The talks, however, did not go into all details that Anglo-American agreement would require.

There were increasing indications, however, that Britain, as a means of bargaining, was holding out the prospect of British recognition of Israel. It was felt Anglo-American agreement on Israel's borders and Anglo-American guarantee of those borders were also needed.

ENVOY'S REPORT

Sir Oliver's report on his conversation with Mr. Lovett reached the Foreign Office today and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, was still studying it when a caucus of Labour Members of Parliament convened to hear attacks on Mr. Bevin's Palestine policy. The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and a host of other high Government officials attended the caucus, but the whole intra-Party row over Palestine was postponed for at least one more day. Mr. Bevin apparently did not attend.

The caucus reportedly was told it was not proper to debate Palestine until diplomatic negotiations had progressed further. The same plea yesterday in the House of Commons enabled Mr. Bevin to delay a general debate on Palestine until next week. Among the first to leave was pro-Zionist Richard Crossman, who had promised a blistering attack on Mr. Bevin.

LORDS DEBATE

The House of Lords will have a general debate on foreign policy today, but Palestine is expected to get only passing attention.

Mr. Philip Piratin, the Communist Member of Parliament, submitted a formal question asking Mr. Bevin whether he would review his attitude towards recognition of Israel in view of Canada's recognition. (Continued on Page 5)

Nanking Regime's Contradictory Moves Cause Perplexity

Nanking, Jan. 19.—The Nationalist Government's call tonight for an immediate unconditional cease-fire in China and for the appointment of delegates to peace negotiations, while at the same time it busily prepared to evacuate the capital in two days, has evoked few reactions here except perplexity.

Observers thought the Cabinet decision to make an appeal demonstrated that a majority had been obtained by the peace-makers among the Kuomintang leaders.

The absence from the Government statement of any new specific peace offer answering Mao Tse-tung's recent broadcast peace terms was generally regarded as disappointing. Observers thought that without specific peace pledges about Communist thought and political reforms, the appeal might be regarded by the Reds as little more than a Kuomintang ruse to obtain a breathing spell for its badly mauled army.

They agreed that this might be rectified by the sending of a Nationalist representative to Yenan with something more specific in his pocket as had been suggested already by some of the more vocal peace advocates.

If this did not happen, the Government's appeal was likely to remain unanswered at least until Friday, when the Government is reported to be leaving for Canton. They thought it would indicate too that neither the peace-makers' Cabinet majority nor Mao Tse-tung's terms had moved the Generalissimo to alter his New Year offer.

The unexpected brevity of tonight's statement, drafted in the Presidential mansion, some suggested, showed that President Chiang Kai-shek might be displeased with today's important Cabinet decision. —Reuter-AAP.

SHANGHAI REACTIONS

Shanghai, Jan. 19.—Shanghai last night greeted with suppressed feelings of joy and hope the news from Nanking of the Nationalist Government's decision to seek peace with the Chinese Communists.

Extras issued by several vernaculars were eagerly bought up by peace-anxious people.

When informed of the news, Dr. W. W. Yen, the veteran diplomat, expressed hope that peace would be realized at an early date and that both the Nationalists and the Communists would stop fighting immediately.

Some University professors said that following the removal of the Government to Canton there would be no point in either attacking or defending Shanghai.

They predicted that Shanghai will take on greater international significance after the evacuation of the Government from Nanking. It is learned that the plans of the local foreign consulates to remain and continue functioning remain unchanged by the Government's removal to the south. (Continued on Page 5)

DURBAN RETURNS TO NORMAL

Durban, Jan. 19.—The death toll in the three-day race riots rose to 120 with police patrols still bringing in bodies of Indians and Africans from outlying areas.

Intensive patrols continued throughout Durban and Pietermaritzburg to control isolated incidents. The total casualties in the two trouble spots were listed at more than 1,240.

First estimates in Durban today showed that about 100 Indian houses were burned down completely in the Indian residential area. Others were unfit for occupation because they had been stripped bare by looters.

Durban was returning to normal rapidly today. More Indians and Africans went back to work and all trouble spots were quiet.

The last serious incident reported was the shooting in the shoulder of an African last night by an Indian, who was tackled by a civilian, disarmed and handed over to the police. Later, a small Indian slushy was burned down in the Durban suburb of Cato Manor.

Many Indians were afraid to fall in with requests to return to work from Indian organisations. They kept within a short distance of police stations.

Two rehabilitation committees have been formed to survey the position and get the refugees back to their jobs and homes. A Corporation official said there were about 1,500 African refugees in various areas and this figure was increasing.

The Indian refugees remaining in camps numbered nearly 20,000. —Reuter.

RICE RIOTS IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, January 20.—Several rice riots in various parts of Shanghai broke out yesterday as the price of rationed rice more than doubled that on January 18. In each case demonstrations were controlled by the police before damage or injury, but the authorities expressed anxiety that the riots would grow in scope and intensity if present trends and conditions continue. —Associated Press.



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EDITORIAL

South African Tragedy

TRAGIC though they are, the riots between Africans and Indians in Durban are not difficult to understand. The pattern of race hatred in South Africa is too intricate to be judged simply as a rift between White and non-White, and the conflict lies so deep that it cannot be attributed entirely to Government measures discriminating between and segregating communities. First, but not the widest, division among races is that between British and Dutch; this has on occasions been intense enough to cause rioting between Whites, and it threatens to become more pronounced under the leadership of Dr. Malan. In a class by themselves are the "coloureds," the unfortunate products of mixed marriages, accepted by neither Black nor White. Then there are the Indians—most of them born in South Africa—and the Negroes. Though easily the smallest group—there are only 250,000 of them, against 1,000,000 "coloureds" and more than 7,000,000 Negroes—the Indians have always been the most vociferous critics of the Union's policy of racial discrimination. Their constant agitation, backed up now by the Governments of India and Pakistan, is a sharp thorn in the side of Dr. Malan's Government. On the face of it the Indians have no lack of grievances. As South African subjects by birth, they claim the right to live wherever they like, trade without restrictions, and own land wherever they like—all of which, in some degree, they are now denied. But in practice their case is not as strong as it seems on paper. While claiming to represent the Africans in the fight for freedom, the Indians, in many cases, are not above exploiting them. There are the village stores and

bus services—and injustices in these fields are much easier for the African to grasp than the large-scale exploitation which the Indians allege against the Whites. The African, though primitive, is essentially passive. A natural slave, he gets along happily without the "benefits" of civilisation considered indispensable by more highly developed peoples, and is unaware of many of the injustices meted out to him. But when these injustices are brought home to him in his every-day life it is not surprising that he resorts to the only form of protest his simple mind can understand; force. What is surprising, however, in view of past outbreaks, is the large scale of the Durban rioting, which suggests that it may have been politically engineered. There are in South Africa a number of anti-colour organizations similar to America's Ku Klux Klan. By fanning the African's mistrust of the Indian into violence, these organizations could pave the way for new, and even more repressive measures against the whole non-White population of the Union. There is nothing to suggest that this is an official policy—but continued rioting would certainly give Dr. Malan an opportunity to push through legislation which, in more peaceful times, he would find difficult to defend. Dr. Malan has, in fact, already stated that it is the duty of the Government to maintain law and order and suppress mass violence with vigour, and that "the necessary steps in that direction have been taken in Durban." The full import of that statement will not be apparent for some time. If the riots developed from an isolated, and comparatively trivial incident, they will die down; if they were politically inspired we may expect them to spread.

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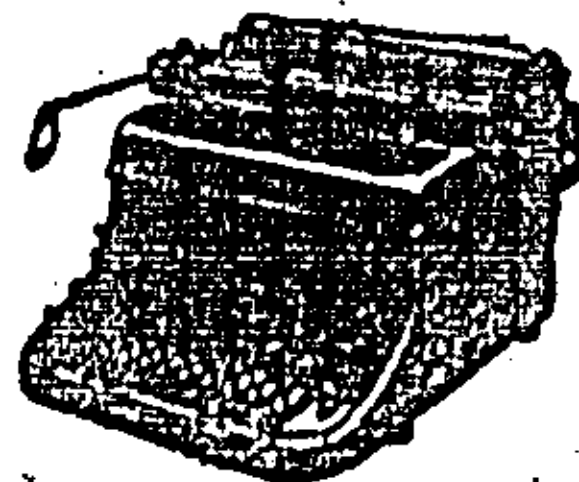
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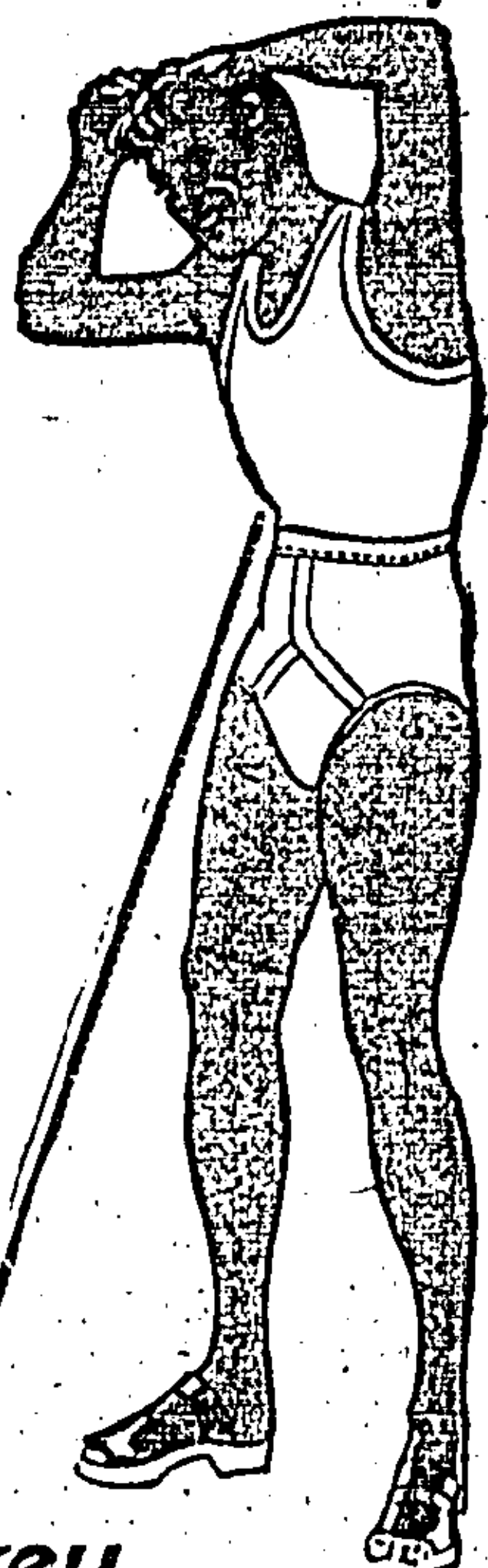
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Neckline Glamour



By ALICE ALDEN

POINTING UP the emphasis on the neckline is the glitter of clips. The nicest way to accent a high neckline, a squared or a draped effect, is through the sparkling medium of beautiful clips. Castles of right and left scrolls of tiny brilliant and graduated coloured stones add up to charm when worn on each side of a neckline or when worn close together in an alternate diagonal. The tiny scroll earrings match.

Our Air-Age Hats Have Propellers

By PATRICIA CLARY

HOLLYWOOD—The movie stars' milliner, who says he gets his ideas from silent movies, is selling the glamour queens a bunch of hats that will make them all as one-eyed as Veronica Lake.

In keeping with our air-minded Age, Kenneth Hopkins also offers a collection of hats with feather propellers and a full-size bird with a worm in his mouth.

There was only one thing missing when Hopkins showed his collection in the gardens behind his salon to a gaping crowd of stars and socialites.

That was a copy he reported, at 10 times the price, of the three-propeller children hats.

Half of Hollywood oiled and oiled and got out its checkbooks while the other half modelled the phenomenon at Hopkins' show.

Ruth Hussey plunked down an order for a large red offside beret. It has a big clump of red and white ribbons.

Joan Leslie grabbed a black velvet dinner cloche with aligettes dangling on each side like spaniel ears.

"I want to wear it with my off-the-shoulder satin dress to Ciro's," she beamed.

Marguerite Chapman wanted a black felt cloche with a rhinestone band and feathers going every way.

Everybody clapped for a forward-titled black felt bonnet with a feather swooping over one eye of British socialite Lee Anderson.

Some of Hopkins' black hats had as many feathers they looked like pinwheels.

"Black is chic," says Hopkins, "only if black is daring."

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Why Can't You Sleep?

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

PEOPLE who find difficulty in sleeping may be suffering from some physical condition producing pain which would naturally interfere with sleep. The large majority, however, are healthy and lose sleep because of some emotional or social difficulty.

Disturbed sleep may indicate difficulty in falling asleep, interruption of sleep, early waking, a combination of these things.

Nervous and Tense

Persons who find trouble falling asleep are usually nervous, tense, and "overactive." They take their problems too seriously. No sooner do they get to bed than they begin to fidget and squirm, and begin to think and worry about their problems. After the condition has been present for some time, their chief worry is their inability to fall asleep.

Those who wake up several times during the night are usually middle-aged. They frequently fall asleep soon after retiring, but they awaken during the night with such symptoms as muscle cramps, abdominal pain, or a feeling of fullness in the chest. These persons, too, spend hours worrying about why they cannot sleep.

Elderly Persons

Those who wake up early usually are elderly persons who get tired easily and, because of this fatigue, they often sleep during the day and go to bed early at night. Naturally they will then awaken early in the morning.

If you are troubled with sleeplessness, consult your physician. He will be able to determine if there is any physical reason for the sleep disturbance and then can advise proper treatment.

If you are found to be in good health, there are a number of things which may be helpful in overcoming the sleep difficulty. Perhaps one of the most important aids is to make every possible effort to eliminate worry, and particularly not to take worries to bed.

Eating Before Bedtime

Some persons may find that eating before they go to bed is helpful in producing sleep, but this depends upon whether or not hunger is present. If the person is not hungry, there is no value in eating. Excessive fluids just before going to bed should be avoided, particularly in older persons with prostate gland difficulties.

If smoking, coffee, and alcoholic beverages interfere with sleep, they should be avoided; if they do not interfere, their use in moderation will cause no such difficulty.

Another important factor in sleep is relaxation. It is impossible to fall asleep when the muscles are tense. Some people find that reading in bed brings about the necessary relaxation.

If your attic yields any highly ornamented cut or pressed glass you are very fortunate, for this type of glass is very much in demand just now. Quantities of it are being retrieved from attics and second-hand shops where it has been gathering dust during the past years when it was out of favour. To bring such glass back to its pristine, sparkling beauty is well worth the effort. Just think how that punch bowl or vase will look on your dinner table!

Wash the glass well with sudsy water, using just enough soap, ammonia or detergent to give a good lather. Incidentally there's a new ammonia on the market that doesn't cut down soap lather. Go over the

Tips To Solve School Lunch Problems

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY

NEW YORK—There are tricks to the business of fixing interesting lunch boxes for school children but they're quick tricks well worth the time and effort. The eating habits children develop probably will trail them all their lives to affect their health and disposition.

Children as well as adults respond to the usual appeals of colour, surprise and variety. So use these elements to lift their lunchbox vitamins and minerals out of the humdrum class.

Why not decorate the lunchbox that goes to school? Red or green or another bright colour with a name applied with nail polish intrigues children.

Variety in the kind and colour of bread and rolls used for sandwiches, the colour of fruit, the colour of the day's beverage and even the colour of the paper napkin excite notice from a child with a lagging appetite.

The caloric requirements of adolescents are high—a 15-year-old boy needs as much food for lunch as someone doing hard labour, lots more than his mother. Every lunch box should fill these five requirements:

Five Requirements

1. Protein food (meat, eggs, poultry, cheese or fish in salad or sandwich).
2. Vegetables (at least one in sandwich filling or salad).
3. Fruit.
4. Bread.
5. Milk.

Many nourishing sandwich fillings can be made up the night before, some of them several days in advance and kept in covered jars in the refrigerator. A trick for adding variety to a meat sandwich is spreading the bread generously with mayonnaise blended with mustard, chili sauce or pickle relish. Peanut butter is a fine food for children, but vary it. Soften it one day with orange juice and chopped raisins, another day add chopped celery.

Here's a tested recipe from The Wheat Flour Institute for crisp buttercrunch refrigerator cookies which can be made up in advance and baked as you need them for an appealing lunch box treat. The dough can be kept a week or more in the refrigerator. Decorate one batch with confectioners' sugar icing and top another with sliced dates for something new and different.

KNIT-FROCKS GET SMARTER



By VERA WINSTON

KNITWEAR-FROCKS get smarter each season, with new suits and dresses reaching new fashion frontiers in chic and wearability. Improved techniques make sagging a thing of the past. Nubby knit in a dark green and brown mixture is used for this nice warm winter frock, good for travel and for general wear in town or country. Contrasting ribbed knit trims the collar, sleeves and pockets. The skirt is gored in back and has a centre seam in front. The belt is of brown leather.

BRING BACK THE SPARKLE IN CUT GLASS

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Wash the glass well with sudsy water, using just enough soap, ammonia or detergent to give a good lather. Incidentally there's a new ammonia on the market that doesn't cut down soap lather. Go over the

glassware with a brush to remove loose dirt. To get rid of the dark line of deeply rooted dust that clings to the design, wrap a bit of cotton around the end of a toothpick, dip it in the soda, and run it along and into the crevices. After all the soil has been removed, wash again in lightly sudsy water, rinse in hot water, then dry thoroughly with a clean, soft towel.

If you're cleaning delicate china ornaments, figurines, china lattice-work and similar decorative fancy pieces, here's a good trick! Line a dishpan with an old towel or soft cloth and work up a sudsy lather. To reduce breakage, wash just one piece at a time.

Figure-Slimming Exercises



Courtesy Columbia Pictures

With the cold season curtailing outdoor sports, Movie Star Marguerite Chapman keeps in shape with regular calisthenics.

By HELEN FOLLETT

ALLURING beauty is possible only when a woman is in top form, filled with ambition and energy. This delightful state is impossible if she deprives herself of outdoor life, fails to get sufficient exercise to keep her blood streams dancing. Health is fashionable. You get it by protecting and developing your body. It is maintained through good eating habits, by sunlight, refreshing sleep and exercise in the open air.

There is a greater lack of physical activity among women than men. It should not be that way. If more women paid attention to the needs of a good musculature, there would be fewer sagging tummies. Through lack of exercise the abdominal wall can become so weakened and wasted that it can no longer resist stretching. It isn't always fat that is responsible for the over-developed facade but lazy fibres.

Fifteen minutes of calisthenics once a day will be of benefit, if one has little opportunity to play golf or tennis or take long walks. It is the regularity of gymnastics that counts, so, if you plan a programme, plan to stick to it for six months at least. If you have a neat figure, it will be yours for years to come. Your shape needs remodelling, you will find satisfaction in developing better lines.

At first your exercises may seem burdensome and tiresome. But soon the clinging of added energy will be adhered to because they are enjoyable. Try torso twisting. Arms out at the sides on a line with the shoulders, palms downward. Swing them far to the right six times, pivoting at the waist line. Six times to the left and repeat. Keep the legs rigid. Arms in the same position, feet twelve inches apart. Drop the body, until the buttocks are resting on the heels. Up on the toes. These movements normalise hips, thighs and waistline.



A Cardinal Rule: Serve Hot Food Hot; Cold Food Cold

THE Chef looked surprised when I asked him for a good hot cup of coffee. "Madame did not enjoy the club luncheon?" he inquired.

"The cooking was good," I said, "and I dare say the food itself was first class; but if there's one thing that I can't abide, it's a cold food served on a warm plate, or hot food on cold plates. And worst of all, the coffee wasn't hot!"

Tapid Soup

"We started with consommé served in cold soup-plates—to the waiter's credit. Next, we had mutton with caper sauce, also on cold plates. The sauce was almost stiff and the fat on the mutton had begun to congeal. With this came a mixed vegetable salad, but the salad plates were warm."

"Impossible!" exclaimed the Chef. "And to cap the climax we had fruit and sherbet cup for dessert served in glasses that had just been washed in hot water."

Really Hot Food

Not only in many restaurants and hotels, but in many homes, little or no attention is paid to the importance of serving hot foods really hot, on heated plates; or cold foods really cold, on cold dishes. We don't realise how much temperature can increase or decrease the flavour, and texture of the food, and the enjoyment of it.

Some kitchen ranges are equipped with warming closets in which plates and serving dishes can be heated. If not, of course, dishes can be heated in a warm baking oven; but this is often inconvenient, and oven-heat is likely to spoil the finish of the dishes, or even crack them. If serving dishes and plates must be heated in the oven, better choose heat-proof tableware. Or possibly you have a good-sized kitchen radiator. If so, put a shelf on or over it, and place the dishes on it to heat. But be sure to cover them with a clean towel, as the rising heat also raises dust.

Another method is to scald the dishes with hot water; it takes just a moment to dry them. Or, if you are steaming or boiling food in a large kettle, you can often invert the cover, so the top will be flat, and you can place dishes there to heat.

Dinner
Pot Roast of Lamb Gravy
Flaky Rice Baked Spinach Loaf
Cabbage and Dill Pickle Slaw
Orange Shortcake
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)
All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Pot Roast of Lamb
Order a small shoulder of lamb, boned and rolled. (Bring home the lamb bones to use as a basis for Scotch barley soup.) Dust the meat with salt, pepper add 2 tbsp. flour; brown all over in a heavy kettle containing 1 tbsp. meat fat. Add 1 peeled small sliced onion, 1 sliced peeled carrot, 1 or 2 peeled sections garlic cut in small pieces, 3 cloves and ½ tsp. peppercorns, (whole black peppercorns). Continue to slowly fry until the onion begins to turn yellow. Then add 2 c. boiling water and 1 bouillon cube. Cover closely; simmer until the meat is tender, from 2½ to 3 hr. When done, pour off the liquid. Remove the fat from the top and add enough boiling water to make 3 c. Add 3 tbsp. flour stirred smooth with 2 tbsp. cold water. Cook and stir until boiling rapidly! Season as necessary with salt and pepper.

Orange Shortcake
This may be made with a plain baking powder shortcake, or with a modified sweet biscuit shortcake. Sweet Biscuit Shortcake: Sift together 3 c. flour, ½ c. sugar, ½ tsp. salt, and 2 tsp. baking powder. Then chop in 4 tbsp. margarine or shortening with a pastry blender. Beat 1 large egg very light and add ½ c. milk. Stir into the flour and mix thoroughly. The batter will be very thick. Spread in an oiled, 9½-in. round or square layer cake pan. Bake in a hot oven, 400 F., about 30 min., or until golden brown. Cool slightly. Split with a large, sharp knife and spread with butter or margarine. Cover the lower half with sugared sliced oranges or orange segments. Top with the second piece of shortcake, placing it upside down so the rough surface is uppermost. Cover this with plenty of the sliced oranges and serve at once. The flavour of the delicious orange juice dripping into the warm crunchy shortcake is out of this world.

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



MUSCLES—A FAMILY AFFAIR—Keith Kallio, 30, of Washington, former weight-lifting champion of the city, has taught his daughters some unusual parlour tricks. Top: Patricia Ann, 8½ months old, swings her 18½ pounds from Dad's hand. Bottom: Dianne Marie, 3, bridges chairs while holding 20-pound weight. Kallio says few trained weight lifters can do this.



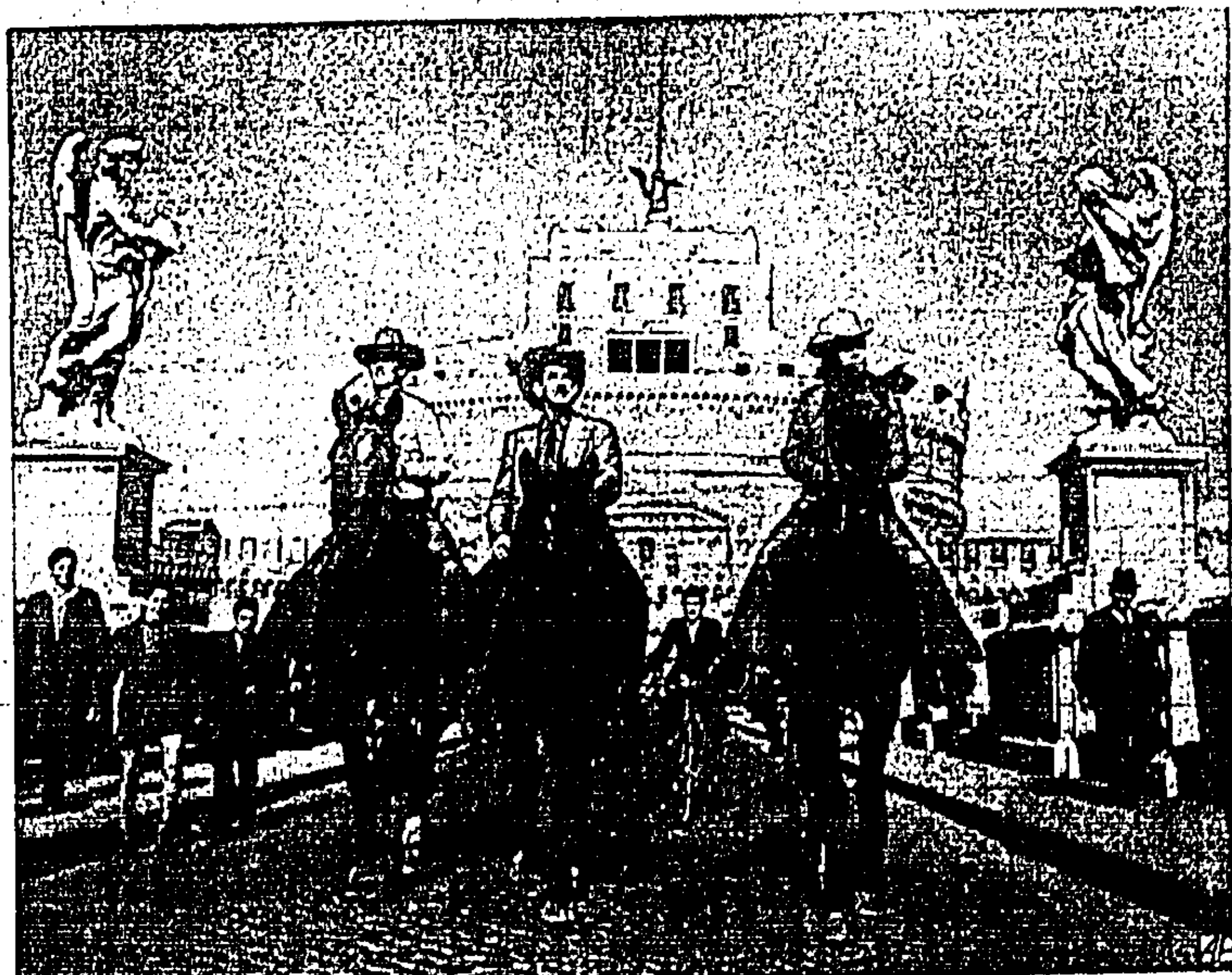
DEAR DEER—Stag, 3½-year-old deer, is petted by Cheryl, 3, and Bobby Leach, 9, at Roscoe, a suburb of Los Angeles. The deer, a Cascadian blacktail, was given to the children by their father.



MODEL—Pat Hall wears a strapless swim suit of white sharkskin with shirred front panel at Los Angeles.



PET—A Great Dane, Prince of Noella, is petted by Maureen Armanasco, 2, at Belmont, Australia.



COWBOYS IN ROME—Performers with a rodeo visiting Rome ride across a bridge in the Italian capital. The Castle St Angelo is in background.



'GAY NINETIES' REVIVED—Old cars, tandem and high-wheeled bicycles—their riders dressed in early-day costumes—leave Goelet Mansion at Newport, Rhode Island, for a "Gay Nineties" parade.



GERMAN HEIRESS TO U.S. MILLIONS—Dressmakers, in Berlin, work on a wedding gown for Ursula Bauer, 23-year-old German Cinderella claimant to the Philadelphia Garret millions. After a church wedding in Germany, she and her GI husband, Sgt Paul Ongstad of Westport, Oregon, went to the U.S.

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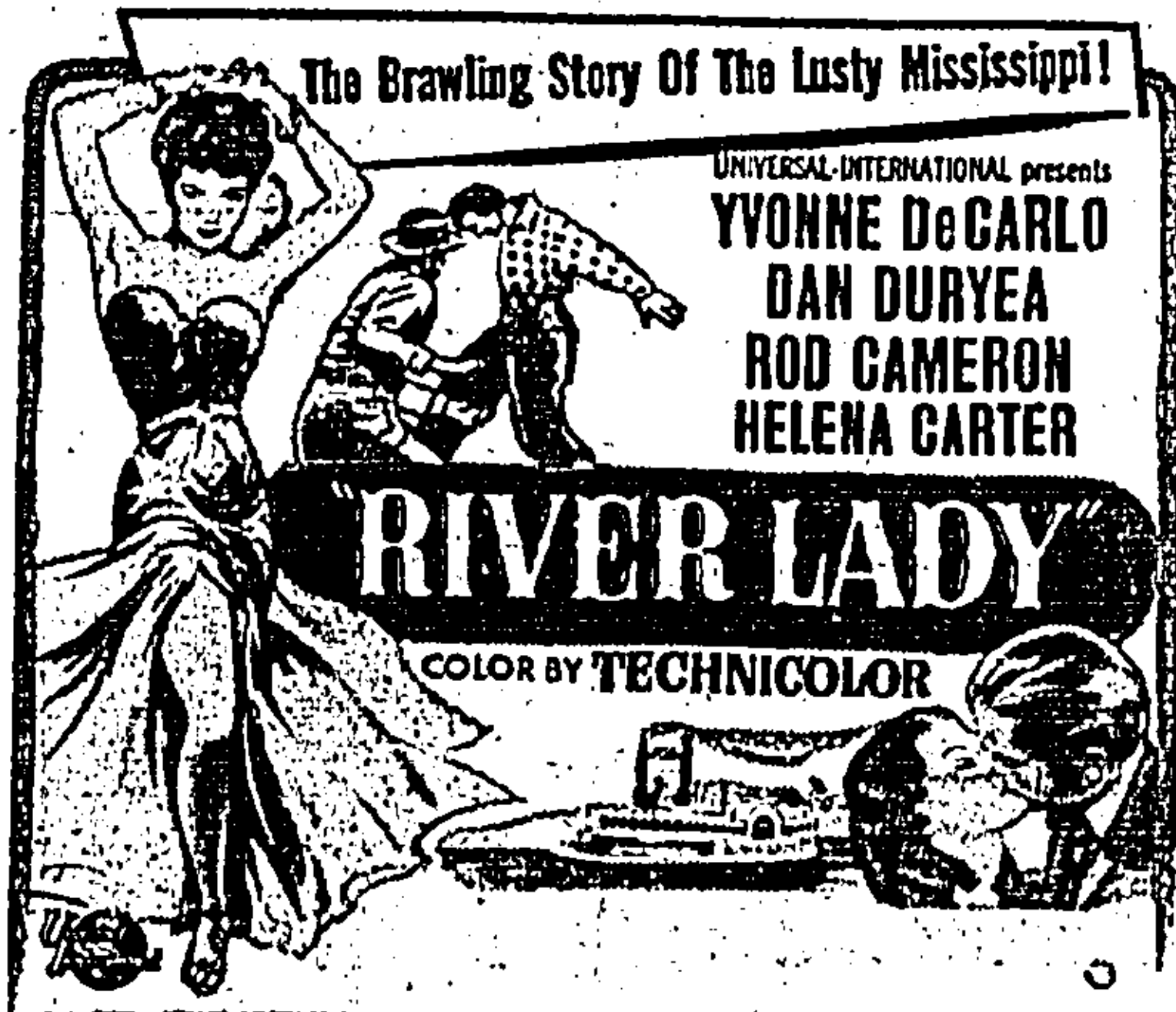
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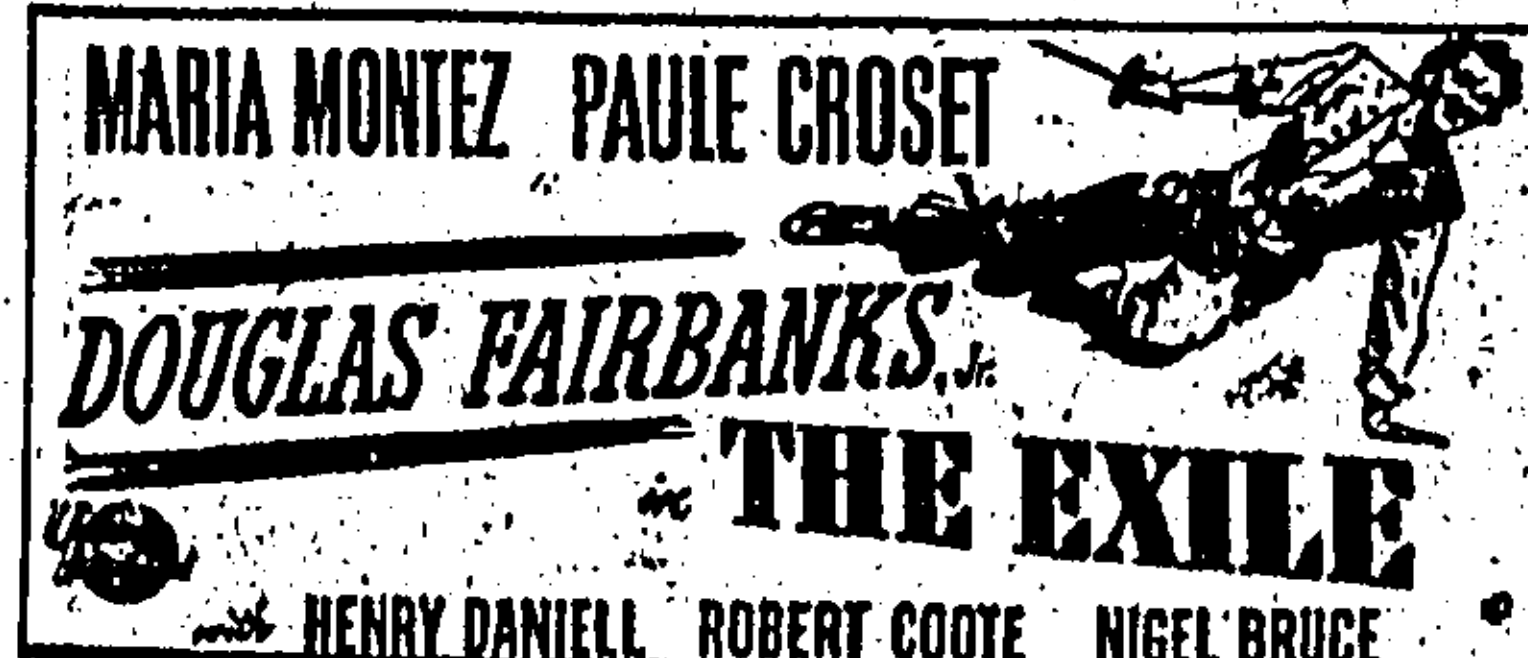
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EISENHOWER WAS
MY BOSS

By KAY SUMMERSBY

ON August 7, Ike's official family moved right behind him into Europe. "Shellburst," our new CP in a Normandy apple orchard, was no different than a hundred other command posts in France, Mickey, Hunt, Mooney and the rest of the household staff, having learned tricks of the trade at our Southwick CP, soon had the entire tented area running smoothly. General Eisenhower worked out of his trailer, as usual. We girls camped in a nearby field reserved for women only and guarded as carefully as ammunition. Actually, we found Normandy a sort of rustic pastoral retreat. And, free of the buzz-bombs, we had our first good nights of sleep in weeks.

General Ike's spirits soared visibly at being on the Continent, able to visit commanders and troops on the spot once more.

In our CP, he set about establishing the bridge games which gave him such relaxation. General Bradley teamed with Mattie against General Eisenhower, and me soon thereafter, from then on, the lines were drawn. This Eisenhower-Summersby team won that first night, starting new banking difficulties in the conversion of francs into pounds, still our monetary basis.

Then, as later, I found General Bradley a peaceful, charming, alert companion. Speaking with a quiet tone which belied a fighter's heart, he confided himself to all of us in the official family Army GIs. Then, as throughout the rest of the war, I regarded him as the only other General in either the British or American armies under whom I would enjoy serving.

Minor Headaches

GENERAL Ike had his standard assortment of minor headaches. The British press attacked him for relieving Montgomery of overall ground command. The American press attacked him for permitting "British interference and domination" despite the majority of U.S. forces over British troops.

A message from the French offered definite evidence of widespread looting by troops, ranging from liquor hauls by privates to a silverware theft by a brigadier general.

Still, General Ike never appeared downcast, disheartened, or even disappointed in public. Occasionally he let down his guard around the inner office and in the evening bridge sessions. "You're one person," he said to me one day in a low mood, "who ever sees me with my hair down. I don't have to keep up pretences because you're not after rank, you don't blab to the press, and you don't gossip with staff members."

On August 23, I drove the General on a long, tiring trip all the way to Chartres.

Arriving at General Bradley's headquarters, we found the very air vibrating with one magic, romantic word—Paris.

An Intelligence general, somewhat giddy, walked up and sighed, rolling his eyes: "I've spent the night in Paris. It's wild, just plain wild, a Mardi Gras and a battle! First time I've ever been shot at—and kissed—at the same time!"

Narrowest Escape

LESS than a week later General Eisenhower had one of the narrowest escapes of his wartime career. We almost lost our Boss; the Allies almost lost their Supreme Commander.

His inhuman, non-stop schedule was the cause. Just three days after the Liberation parade in Paris, he had to drop everything and take off for London. The Prime Minister wanted to smooth some wrinkles in the Mediterranean command.

To save time, he ordered his staff in Normandy to move the Advance CP in his absence.

"Shellburst" was set up in the Norman seaside resort of Granville upon his return.

The view revealed that of his villa set above the Bay of Naples; here, he could look out on to the picturesque old abbey of Mont-Saint-Michel, a travelogue island at high tide.

General Eisenhower didn't spend much time studying the view.

Most of his interest centred on the battle picture. The Canadians, with a fine sense of justice, had taken Dieppe. Fighting in the Breton peninsula was so heavy that one report listed some four thousand casualties to date. Patton dragged of entry into Verdun; the very name of Verdun evoked nostalgia among World War I veterans in our Advance CP, but General Eisenhower had no leisure for sentiment. "I'm going up and give Patton hell," he said, worrying because the Third Army's spectacular advance stretched supply lines to the snapping point.

The General flew up to Versailles the next morning for a long talk with Bradley. He said he would be back in a couple of hours.

Back in Granville, we watched morning fade into noon, then into evening. The weather was terrible. We had word the General had left Versailles, but tea-time came and went without any further message. We called airfields—only to learn the great Allied army had no trace of its own Supreme Commander.

Calculated Risk

AS I later learned Ike had insisted upon leaving Versailles that afternoon despite an ugly storm covering most of France. The pilot, hardly one to argue with a four-star General, shrugged grimly and took off.

The plane went sour shortly afterwards. They had to land in isolated Chartres.

There, instead of stopping for repairs to the plane or proceeding by car, the General required that he continue on by air, at once. The pilot therefore located one of the tiny, one-passenger Cub liaison planes with which Ike was already familiar—and they took off in the rain.

The little L-5 brought them through to Granville in comparative good shape, but they couldn't find the airfield. Their patrol was running out.

The pilot took a calculated risk—he headed for the narrow beach near Villa Montgomery. Although the beach might be mined, they couldn't land in the water, or on the foggy airport.

They made a perfect landing. The next worry was the plane, threatened by rising tides. General Ike pitched in to help the pilot move

high-altitude ceiling, gave me a shimmering opportunity to hear as much as a whisper in his sanctum. Thus, the official side of my job was made easier, for I could tell immediately when the General was available for interruption. I could write down the day's business in the diary without asking him what the transcript. And, as a normal female, I thoroughly enjoyed the luxury of eavesdropping on conversations in the Throne Room.

This time General Ike's British Military Assistant found him in a house lately occupied by enemy brass. He and Jimmy Gault moved into the large, comfortable house which had belonged to none other than General von Rundstedt, who apparently insisted upon making the building still more homelike by the addition of a giant air raid shelter, which, as far as I know, the new four-star general never bothered to inspect. Fifteen or twenty minutes from the Trianon, von Rundstedt's house offered comparative isolation and privacy.

Manpower Shortage

WITHIN a fortnight, of course, General Ike was so worried about us "settling down" in Versailles that he announced another advance. We then trudged up to Gloux (Gloix) to the GIs and set up a new "Shellburst" where the Boss could live in his favourite super-trailer, a present from Toocy Spantz, and escape the monotony of headquarters routine. We females took over rooms upstairs in the Gloux country club. Life here was a pleasant cross between that in the Normandy apple orchard and that in quiet Granville.

Whether in Versailles or Gloux, General Eisenhower's time, energy, and abilities were concentrated upon duties which fell into three distinct categories—command problems, trips, and VIPs.

Sometimes, he was faced by problems unknown to military regulations. Venereal disease is an issue known to all generals. But General Eisenhower had to answer a political question: the French and the Belgians wanted him to close all brothels. With admirable tact, he replied that it might be better if the respective governments take appropriate action; he would issue parallel orders within his own province, that is, to Allied troops under his command.

The manpower shortage he predicted long before D-Day emerged into stark reality. Replacements became a worrisome, then a pressing issue. General Eisenhower directed



General Omar Bradley, who commanded the U.S. First Army in Europe. "A peaceful, charming, alert companion," is how Kay Summersby describes him.

all rear area commanders to use Allied civilians to the utmost, to shave down office forces to an absolute minimum. Even these and other measures were so inadequate that, by the time the Ardennes was past, more drastic steps had to be taken.

Perhaps that was the reason for his impatience with Army criminals. He was especially irate one day when, inspecting a Normandy hospital, he realised some of the men were there for self-inflicted wounds. And he was stern, as only a West Pointer and a dedicated war commander can be, with the hundreds of court-martial cases brought to his attention for final review every week.

The Eisenhower-Ike really began to grow inflamed at the avalanche of reports, from every type of source, on the increasing lack of discipline by Allied troops. Americans, unfortunately, were the principal offenders. Every week brought in more stories of rape, of murder, of callous looting. One day, for example, the General noted in our office diary his reactions to that particular visit by the Judge Advocate General:

"Boris, 10.30. Reports that disciplinary conditions are becoming bad. Many cases of rape, murder, and pillage are causing complaints by French, Dutch, etc. Am assigning special inspectors to job at once. His reports substantiate those received from other sources."

The very next day a conference was held to discuss the tragic problem. Ike was particularly disturbed at the news that his cocky 101st and 82nd Air-borne Division troops were on the rampage. Strong measures will be taken immediately, he emphasised to his staff. And he suggested strong medicine—a public hanging in the case of rape.

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LONDON IS UNFAIR TO WOMEN

I GOT back to London recently from a four weeks' visit to New York. I was met with the inevitable questions—about the shops, the restaurants, the cars, the cost of things. "It sounds nowadays," my questioner remarked, "like living upon another planet." "It was always that," I said.

That was, indeed, the core of its appeal. Three basic differences, with the climate as a final factor, determined for New York and London a separate pattern, a dissimilar technique.

London is built upon a swamp. New York is built upon a rock, that is the first main difference. London had to spread horizontally, New York vertically.

Everything in New York is handier. With his office closing down at five, the New Yorker can look in at his club, join his wife at a cocktail party, take her on to a second party and still make his dinner date, while even before the war when taxis were plentiful and petrol was available for private cars, the Londoner living in Chelsea who was invited to dine in Kensington had to calculate in terms of distance before going to a St. John's Wood cocktail party first.

Today with Mayfair a residential no man's land of shops and offices, such geographical considerations have become all important. Post-war conditions have accentuated for the Londoner a problem that was existent but not insistent in 1938.

The New Yorker can go to a party confident in the knowledge that it will be easy for him to develop any potential friendship that he

may encounter there. But the Londoner who lives in Knightsbridge cannot help wondering whether it is worth while taking the telephone number of the fellow guest who has a flat in Bloomsbury.

Transport has become so difficult that he tends to concentrate upon the friends who live within walking distance. A series of separate communities, almost of villages, is being formed round the perimeter of Mayfair's no man's land.

More than one unmarried friend commenting on the lack of a central organised social life in London and on the difficulty of keeping in touch with friends, has remarked to me that "Nowadays you have to have a steady" to go around with; someone you can be sure of seeing three or four times a week.

In only one respect has London today an organised social life—and that is in its clubs; a respect which exemplifies the second basic difference between New York and London—that London is a man's, New York a woman's, city.

This New Yorker lunches in his club. He looks in there for a drink when his office closes, particularly if his relations with his wife are not too congenial; indeed New York wives tend to regard that "dropping in" at the club on the way home as the first danger sign.

But his club is not a focal part of his existence. He dines there as a last resort. After half past six

it is a refuge rather than a relaxation. There is no equivalent in New York for such London dining clubs as the Omar Khayyam and the Old Volumes.

Today London clubs are in a more flourishing condition than they have been for 50 years; their atmosphere is friendlier, the company livelier, the talk more varied.

Clubs that were facing bankruptcy in 1938 have now a waiting list. Dining clubs have resumed their meetings: the formal dinner party, the finger-bowls and place names, these have vanished.

There are coming-out balls for the very young. But the opposite sexes meet mainly for cocktails and in small informal groups of intimates. I have worn a white tie only four times since the war—and each time at a man's dining club.

London no longer provides a background against which feminine grace and charm can be displayed to the advantage they deserve. There are many causes: rationing and controls and shortages, a lack of servants, a lack of material to do over houses, but mainly it is a corollary to that second basic difference between New York and London.

Postwar conditions have accentuated the first two basic differences between the cities, and it is idle to pretend that as a result of that accentuation life in New York is not more varied, more dramatic, more unexpected, more highly geared.

by ALEC WAUGH

"London is a man's, New York a woman's city," says Alec Waugh, who recently returned from America. "London no longer provides a background against which feminine grace and charm can be displayed to the advantage they deserve."

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THOMAS CUP FAVOURITES

MORE BACKERS FOR THE MALAYANS

Copenhagen, Jan. 19.—H. J. Wingfield, the England international, strongly favours Malaysia to win the Thomas Cup badminton competition.

Wingfield, a member of the England badminton team which is to meet Denmark here this week in the final of the European zone of the competition, warned the Danes about over-optimism in beating Malaysia should the two countries meet in the final round.

In an interview here he said that he thought there was not much any team could do against Malaysia.

Referring to the Malaysians' play, Wingfield commented: "I have never seen badminton of such a high standard."—Reuter.

ENGLISH TEAM SWAMPED BY SWEDEN

Malmö, Sweden, Jan. 19.—England's National badminton team lost 7-0 to Sweden's young players in a friendly match at Malmö on Tuesday night.

Harold Marsland alone among the English players, followed by R. C. F. Nichols.

The Englishmen had had luck, especially Marsland, who played three matches in all of which he was defeated in the third set.

THE RESULTS

Singles
Knut Malmgren (Sweden) beat H. J. Wingfield (England) 10-13, 15-9.

Berni Bengtsson (Sweden) beat Harold Marsland (England) 12-15, 15-5.

Nils Jonsson (Sweden) beat Noel Bradford (England) 15-7, 15-0.

Doubles
Nils Jonsson & Inge Blomberg (Sweden) beat H. Marsland & War-

Badminton League

St. Teresa's "A" beat St. John's "A" by seven games to two in a Men's Doubles "B" Division Badminton match last night.

The scores:
R. M. Soares & A. D. Brown (St. Teresa's "A") beat S. Fowler & D. Kwok 21-14; beat R. Thompson & E. Youell 21-0; lost to F. H. Kwok & N. Whitley 10-21.

J. A. Soares & J. A. Motta (St. Teresa's "A") beat Fowler & Kwok 21-10; beat Thompson & Youell 21-13; beat Kwok & Whitley 21-0.

A. J. Gonçalves & F. Vieira (St. Teresa's "A") lost to Fowler & Kwok 20-23; beat Thompson & Youell 21-14; beat Kwok & Whitley 21-15.

ST. TERESA'S "B" v ST. JOHN'S "B"

St. Teresa's "B" beat St. John's "B" by nine games to nil.

The scores:
B. Pomeroy & E. Rosario (St. Teresa's "B") beat Breingan & McNay 21-0; beat Hefti & Guttinger 21-11; beat Stephen & Hofer 21-0.

G. Roza-Perelra & L. Pomeroy (St. Teresa's "B") beat Breingan & McNay 21-17; beat Hefti & Guttinger 23-20; beat Stephen & Hofer 21-14.

M. McDougal & F. Myndman (St. Teresa's "B") beat Breingan & McNay 21-11; beat Hefti & Guttinger 21-3; beat Stephen & Hofer 21-15.

Barnes Threatens To Retire

Sydney, Jan. 19.—Sidney Barnes, the Australian Test cricketer, announced today that he would retire from first class cricket if the New South Wales Cricket Association did not change its attitude towards him.

The New South Wales Association had announced that Barnes would not be invited to play in the Bert Oldfield-Alan Kippax match, which begins here on February 25, because he would not be available for the coming South African tour.

In a statement, Barnes said: "As an ordinary citizen and an amateur cricketer, I have the right to say whether I am available or not."

He added that he had played in the Don Bradman testimonial and considered it his duty to play in the Oldfield-Kippax match.—Reuter.

ON THE RECORD

The Probables & Possibles

On Sunday morning at Sookun-poo, the final Interport Trial to choose Hongkong's first post-war Interport Hockey team will be held. The Hongkong XI will be selected on the basis of not more than Sunday's trial alone, but on that of last Sunday's as well.

The line-up announced this morning brings up the not-too-surprising fact, as with all sport in Hongkong, that the veterans are all there.

Though the last Interport match took place all of eight years ago, there are quite a few ex-Interporters in the trial. We can't name them all with accuracy. Certainly W. A. Reed, J. B. Gonçalves and A. M. Alves have played for Hongkong. Probably H. A. Marques and B. H. Hassan, though no one seems to remember.

Oldest trial selector is Willie Reed, Recreio's centre-half, who has been in League Hockey in Hongkong for a good 20 years and is generally accepted as Hongkong's all-time Interport centre-half, a signal honour when one considers the plumber of good Indian Army teams that have contributed to our Interport sides.

Other veterans are J. Blackburne, the Police right-back, and M. H. Hassan, Khalsa's centre-half. Half of the others were in local League Hockey before the war.

There are a number of youngsters in the trial. They include G. W. P. Guest, B. Xavier and Peter Rull, a

member of the Nomads in the last year or two before the war while still in school. He is now on the Cable & Wireless team.

Which reminds one that there are two C & W players getting a trial, though the team is well below of the League. The University, on the other hand, gets two trial reserve berths, though three of their players were given a trial last Sunday.

A special round of applause is due the HKCC Optimists and Scorpions who have decided finally to play off their postponed match in the First Division of the Cricket League.

It will be played on Sunday and should be one of the best of the season. With a dearth of outstanding bowlers on either side—Frank Howarth is an improbable starter—some batting averages should soar up.

Some of the other Clubs that have postponed matches could well follow example. The Triangular Tournament final between Army and the Combined Royal Navy-RAF is now two weeks overdue.

The RAF are postponing match after match due to either (a) our Arctic weather; or (b) indecision as to who is going to replace Graham as the second bowler. Why not take in both Sawyer and Follett? There are enough batsmen in the side.

—"RECORDER"

INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL

All hockey fixtures for Sunday, January 23, have been cancelled and the Second Interport Trial will take place on the Army ground, Sookunpoo, commencing at 10.30 a.m. sharp.

The following players are requested to attend:

COLOURS
G. Moss (Police)
A. Neary (Recreio)
J. B. Gonçalves (Recreio)
Major Hogg (Army)
W. A. Reed (Recreio)
Capt. Monaghan (Army)
G. W. P. Guest (Khalsa)
B. T. Breen (Recreio)
Yusef (Police)
P. Rull (C & W)
D. Brown (Police)

Reserves: S. N. Ponniah (University), Eng. Doyle (RAF), Mann Singh (Police), G. Sequeira (Recreio), Sgt. Connolly (RAF) and D. Chelliah (University).

Umpires: Yeo, Siga, Gater & Mr. Xavier.

Those players who are unable to turn up are requested to telephone the Hon. Secretary of the Hockey Association, Mr. A. E. P. Guest, Tel. 39544 or 37097 (after office hours).

Shirts will be supplied on the field. No Navy players will participate in the trial as they will be at Macao for the week-end.

The Interport Team will be selected after this second trial match. Next Wednesday or Thursday, the Colony team will meet the Rest at Sookunpoo at 5.20 p.m.

JOCKEY CUP



The Hon. A. Morso presents the Jockey Cup to Mr W. F. M. Cook, winner of the Novices' Race on Prince Delight at the Valley yesterday. — Telegraph Staff Photographer.

GAINS BY LOSING ON A FOUL

Lee Savold Rides A Wave Of Sympathy

New York, Jan. 19.—It is beginning to appear now that Lee Savold gained much more in losing by a foul to England's Bruce Woodcock than he could have gained even with a one-sided victory.

Savold now has the full sympathy and interest of the average American boxing fan, the man whose dollars at the box office are the final authority in professional fighting.

Although impartial reports from experts at the ringside indicate that Savold like Lee Oma, was not making much of an effort to win and was obviously nonplussed at Woodcock's exceeding incompetence, American fans remember only the unsatisfactory ending and the statements of secretary Charles Donmall of the British Boxing Board of Control when a no-foul rule was suggested.

"We are not interested in a no-foul rule," said Donmall, "because boxing still is a sport in this country and not just a big business racket."

"Donmall said nothing of the interests of the fans who paid \$42 for ringside seats to see Woodcock find an easy way out in the fourth round."

"The great majority of British fans always have been against the no-foul rule and I believe American fans feel the same," Donmall continued.

On this claim Donmall is at least 50 percent wrong. American fans strongly favour the no-foul rule, and so do the boxers.

With modern protective devices it is impossible to hurt a man with a low blow. A poll of British fans might surprise Donmall in the opinion of American boxing leaders.

STRONG AVERSION

Donmall and some British writers took the line that "there would be a strong aversion to the no-foul rule in England where hitting below the belt revolts the idea of fair play."

This argument implied that Americans do not believe in fair play, and angered many fans. In America hitting below the belt is equally obnoxious, and the rules plainly carry penalties.

The boxer loses the round for hitting low, and if he persists in deliberate low blows, he is disqualified. But one low punch, which can do no hurt, cannot cause an unsatisfactory ending to a high-priced bout.

Charles Johnston, manager of featherweight Sandy Saddler, stated the opinion of most Americans when he refused a London bout for Saddler, explaining that "Sandy is a body-puncher and for us to take a London bout would be a disgrace."

British promoters a present of the crown.

London's promoter Jack Solomons angrily denied the implication.

ANOTHER FIASCO

In final analysis, the Savold-Woodcock fiasco was just another in a long series of events which have convinced Americans that European boxing is hopelessly provincial.

Rarely is an international bout in Europe judged impartially. Ole Eide's victory over Joe Baksi, rendered by a Swedish referee, was so outrageous that even Ole, an honest and high-principled boxer, admitted its error, and Swedish newspapers censured the referee.

Cyrille Dellanelli's victory over Marcel Cerdan in their first bout last summer was achieved largely because it was fought in Dellanelli's home city, Brussels, according to Americans who saw the match.

Dado Marino of Honolulu knocked Rinty Monaghan down twice but lost the decision in a flyweight title fight at London.

Two New York writers, Dan Parker of the Mirror and Heywood Hale Brown of the Star, pointed out that the no-foul rule was introduced in America in 1930 after two foreign fighters, "Punching" Phil Scott of England and Max Schmeling of Germany, overdid the foul ending.

And Savold, latest victim of an outmoded rule, probably will be rewarded with a lucrative match with Joe Louis.

Rugger Match

The rugger match between the Club and 25th Field Regiment at the Club Ground yesterday resulted in a win for the 25th Field Regiment by one goal, four tries. (17 points) to one try (3 points).

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

STAN MUSIAL RATED THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

New York, Jan. 19.—Baseball writers in America made a surprising discovery late in the summer of 1948—Joe DiMaggio and Ted Williams no longer are bitter rivals for designation as "best player in the major leagues."

Stan Musial of the St. Louis Cardinals has surpassed both of them.

He was chosen "most valuable player in the National League" in 1948, the third time he has won that honour, and batted .376 to take the batting crown. He also led in runs batted in with 131.

It was just another in a long line of successes for "Manly Stanley," who seems to have been born for success.

He was born at Donora, Pennsylvania, a steel and zinc-mill town near Pittsburgh, and was the son of Lukasz Musial, a Polish immigrant.

Father Musial worked in the steel mills, and his fierce determination was that Stanley should have a better life.

OUT OF MILLS

As Stan reached his teens, father Musial saw a way to raise Stan out of the mills. The boy was a star high school athlete, especially in basketball, and a college education was his for the acceptance.

But Stan's favourite sport was baseball, and he pitched for the Pennsylvania Zinc Works team. A major league scout, Andy French of the St. Louis Cardinals, spotted Stan and offered him a contract.

Stan's favourite team was the Pittsburgh Pirates, but he was willing to turn pro, although he was only 16 years old and still in high school.

Father Musial opposed the idea. He wanted Stan to go to college. French and Stan argued and pleaded, and finally father gave in.

Musial's first pro experience was as a left-handed pitcher, with Williamson of the Mountain States League.

He struck out a lot of batters but he walked just as many. He wasn't impressive in two years with Williamson.

Then Branch Rickey, who was the Cardinals' front-office mastermind, sent him in 1940 to Daytona Beach in the Florida State League, where he was managed by Dickie Kerr.

Kerr taught Musial the fine points of pitching, and recognised his hitting ability. Musial was used as part-time outfielder.

Hurt Left Shoulder

One day the 10-year-old Musial, who liked to make shoe-aling catches and then turn a somersault, hurt his left shoulder in such an antic. His pitching days were over and his arm was so weak he seemed finished as an outfielder, too. But the success story began here.

He was impressive in hitting drills in the Spring of 1941, although his throwing was weak and was sent to Columbus, Georgia, a class C team.

A few weeks later Springfield of the Western Association needed an outfielder and the hard-hitting Musial was sent up.

In 87 games he batted .379 and in mid-season went to Rochester of the American Association where he batted .325.

Meanwhile his arm was growing stronger, and his throwing improved. Fate still was hunting ways to favour Musial. Late that same season, Terry Moore and Enos Slaughter of the parent Cardinals suffered injuries, and Musial was brought up.

In his first game he faced Jimmy Tobin, a veteran knuckle-ball pitcher. Tobin got Stan on a pop-up the first hit, but the next time the kid hit a game-winning double.

In the last 12 games of the season Musial batted .428. He was a major leaguer after starting the season in class C.

MOVED TO RIGHT FIELD

In 1942 he alternated with Conker Triplett, while he learned to hit major league left-handers, and finished with a .315 average. The next year he moved to right field as regular, led the league in batting (.357), hits, doubles and triples, and was chosen the most valuable player.

He has been a star ever since. In 1940 he moved to first base where the Cards ran into an emergency, and was so outstanding that again he was the most valuable player and led the Cards to World Series victory over the Red Sox.

His personality is a serene, one, and he never shows temperment. Perhaps he is tired in this by never having a slump. His longest hitting streak in 1948 was 13 at-bats.

He fights hard to win, but never battles with an umpire or with opposing players.

FINE HITTER

He is a fine hitter at important points in the game, as his run-batted-in total shows. His swing is much like Williams'—smooth and rhythmic. But he doesn't have the wrist snap of Williams or Dick Wakefield, and his power comes with the swing.

His reflexes and co-ordination are perhaps the best of any ball player, and he is fast foot.

"My favourite hits are triples," he says. "I like to run, and it's fun to have that direct competition with the outfielder."—United Press.

Sydney Trainer Disqualified

Sydney, Jan. 19.—K. Thompson, Sydney trainer, and the three-year-old colt, Montclair, were today disqualified for life by the Australian Jockey Club.

T. W. Cripps and T. Crinson, part owners of the horse, were disqualified for five years.

These penalties were indicated following an inquiry into a swab taken from Montclair after he had won a race at Randwick on December 4. The three men were declared guilty of improper practices.—Reuter.

Week-End Soccer

The following is the HKFA soccer programme for the week-end:

SATURDAY

1st Division
CAA v Kwong Wah, Boundary, 4 p.m. (Ref. J. G. Padley; linesmen, W. Crawford/Liu Shih-ming; Sookunpoo, 4 p.m. (Ref. J. G. Padley; linesmen, F. A. Barretto/Mak Young Lok).

2nd Division
Army (K) v Club, Boundary, 2.30 p.m. (Ref. W. Crawford); Army (H) v Sookunpoo, 2.30 p.m. (Ref. F. A. Barretto); PCA v Navy, Navy, 2.30 p.m. (Ref. P. Collins).

SUNDAY
1st Division
RAF v Eastern, Sookunpoo, 4 p.m. (Ref. A. Guest; linesmen, J. Day/A. Ribeiro).

2nd Division
South China "A" v Kitchener, Caroline Hill, 4 p.m. (Ref. A. F. Willis; linesmen, P. P. L. V. T. Leung); Club, 4 p.m. (Ref. L. G. Young; linesmen, Sgt. Manoh/P. George).

South China "B" (bye).

2nd Division
South China v Police, Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m. (Ref. J. G. Padley); Talkoo v St. Joseph's Club, 2.30 p.m. (Ref. Sgt. Manoh).

Samways v Eastern, cancelled.

University v KMB, cancelled.

Record Pool Prize

London, Jan. 18.—Kenneth Herbert, a 37-year-old gas meter checker of Bristol, has won £73,795 for a stake of sixpence on a football pool.

Herbert, who has five children, flew to London today to receive his prize, which is a record for this season.—Reuter.

Scots' Bargaining

Middlesbrough, Jan. 19.—The strangest transfer deal of the season is the signing by Middlesbrough of the Quinn brothers, amateurs. To get the 15-year-old player who looks like a future star, they had to sign his brother too.

Middlesbrough's Scottish scout was impressed by the centre-forward, John Quinn, 15, of Motherwell. So were the Board after reading the scout's report.

But John's parents would not let him sign unless brother Hugh, 17, the goalkeeper, was also signed. Manager David Jack agreed to both lads rather than to lose the younger one. When they have finished school, the brothers will join the ground staff.—Reuter.

Friendly Cricket

At Sookunpoo yesterday H.Q. Land Forces beat Stonecutters by four wickets in a friendly cricket match.

During the match, which was played on the 15th, Brown contributed 12 and Wynyard 10. Stephenson took four wickets for 15 runs.

Headquarters only lost six wickets in passing their opponents' total. Bell was top scorer with 20 not out while Lalier also carried his bat for 13.

Wynyard took four of the six wickets.

"OPTIMISTS" TEAMS

The HKCC "Optimists" are playing two League cricket matches this week-end. Against the Indian R.C. at Chater Road on Saturday at 1.45 p.m. the "Optimists" will be represented by: L. J. Kilbee (capt.), A. L. Smith, N. R. Oliver, G. T. Rowe, A. P. Miller, T. F. Mahon, D. McCallan, W. Wood, M. J. Little, A. S. Eron, R. W. Franklin; W. J. Slagter (umpire).

Against the "Scorpions" at Chater Road on Sunday at 1.45 p.m. the "Optimists" will be represented by: L. J. Kilbee (capt.), A. L. Smith, N. R. Oliver, G. T. Rowe, A. P. Miller, T. F. Mahon, D. McCallan, R. W. Franklin, N. R. Arly, W. L. Howard, W. J. Slagter, M. Wood (12th man); A. S. Eron (umpire).

RECREIO XI

The following will represent the Club do Recreio XI against the University of Hong Kong on Saturday at 1.45 p.m. at the Recreation Ground, Kowloon. The team will be: A. M. Rodriguez, Dr. E. L. Gozans, E. T. Gozans, L. G. Gozans, G. N. Gozans, A. P. Miller, A. S. Eron, Dr. J. L. Orazio, E. M. L. Soares, Umpire, A. V. Gozans.

MATCH POSTPONED

The League cricket match between Crispinpower and RAF on Saturday has been postponed to a future date.



Miss Ann Curtis officially becomes a professional swimmer today when she flies to Saint Louis to begin a six-city tour as a star of sport shows.

She will swim exhibitions in each city and hopes eventually to get into movies and television, says a United Press dispatch from Oakland, California.

Les Williams Now A Professional

London, Jan. 19.—Les Williams, Welsh Rugby Union international who helped Wales beat England at Cardiff last Saturday, has turned professional and joined the Hunslet Rugby League Club.

Williams has resigned his position as a schoolmaster in Bristol and will play his first game against St. Helens next Saturday. His contract will be for a minimum of five years.

During the past three years Williams has turned down many attractive offers to become a professional.

He has played in the Welsh international team and has also played in the Cornwall County fifteen, for the Royal Navy and the Combined Services.

The sum paid by Hunslet to induce him to join that club was not disclosed.—Associated Press.

A wing three-quarter, Williams is the third Rugby Union player to sign for Hunslet in the past 12 months. John Russell, stand-off half, having been secured from Penarth, while Jack Evans, the Newport centre, signed two months ago.

Williams played 13 times for Wales in the Rugby Union.—Reuter.

Leslie Knighton To Retire

London, Jan. 19.—Leslie Knighton, one of the best-known managers in English football, is to retire from the game at the end of the current season.

Knighton, who entered big football in 1909, was formerly manager of Arsenal, Chelsea, Huddersfield Town, Manchester City, Birmingham and Bournemouth. At present he is Secretary-Manager of Shrewsbury Town, a Midland League Club.

Knighton built up a nation-wide reputation for making "stars" out of young footballers. Among his notable "finds" was Tom Whittaker, present Manager of the Arsenal team.—Associated Press.

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BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

"WHERE do you get your bridge hands?" is a question I am often asked. They come from many sources—from games in which I participate or kibitz, from fans who write to me, from tournament experts, and so on. I get some of the best hands, however, at the cocktail table or dinner table.

Recently Harry J. Fishbein and I were having dinner in the Star-dust Room at the Hotel St. George in Brooklyn, N. Y.

"What is the greatest play you have seen this year?" I asked Fishbein. Harry took out a pencil and proceeded to play the queen, white tablecloth. Today's hand is the one he came up with. Fishbein was sitting East, and his opponents arrived at what appeared to be a very good contract of six hearts.

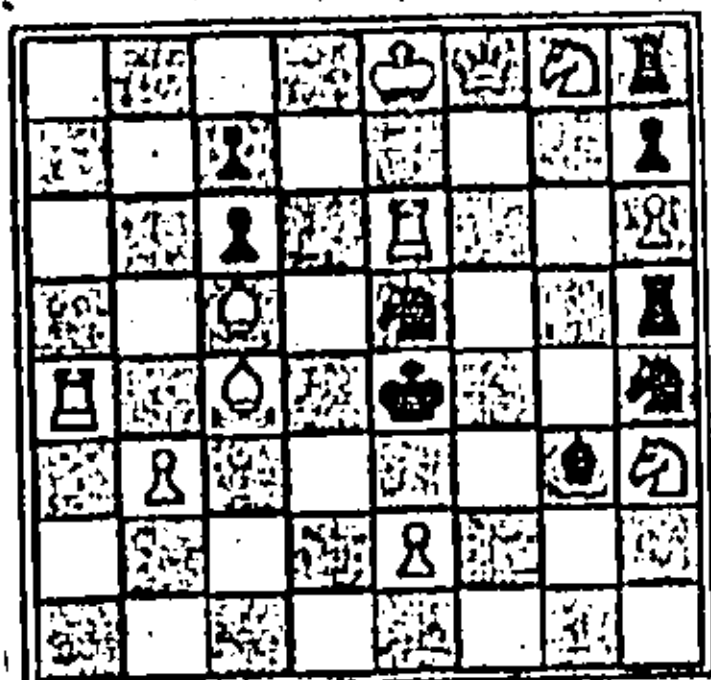
Out came the opening lead of the ten of clubs, and quite sure that most players would agree that Fishbein should split his honours and play the queen. But he did not. He played the three-spot. He knew that the ten had to be either a singleton or a doubleton. If it was a singleton, the declarer had five clubs. If Fishbein split his honours, declarer would be able to get some discards on the club suit.

South would win the queen of clubs with the ace, lead the jack of hearts, overtake in dummy with the queen, lead the eight of clubs, and all Fishbein could get would be one club trick. But more than that, declarer could discard dummy's two losing diamonds on the two good clubs.

With the play of the three-spot, however, Fishbein still was bound to get a club trick, and declarer could get only one discard. I agreed that it was a beautiful play.

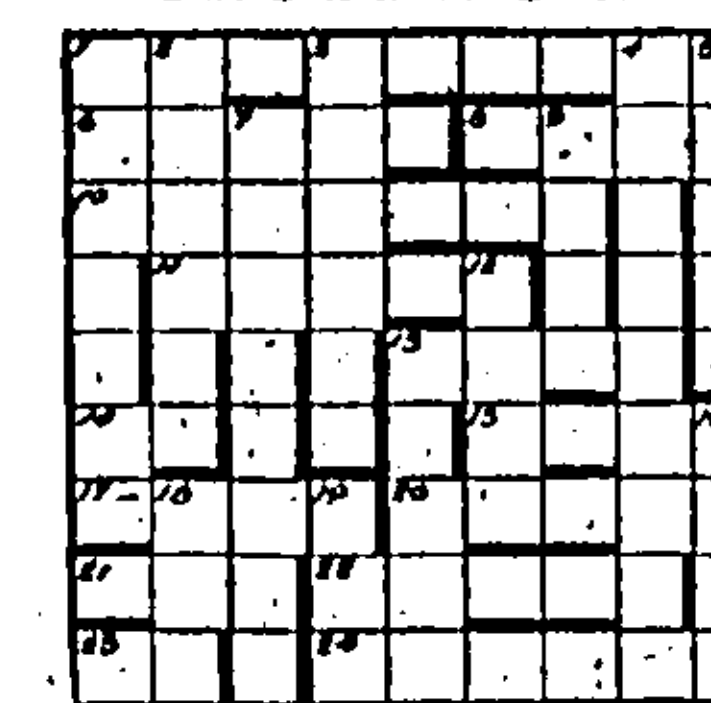
CHESS PROBLEM

By A. K. ELWORTHY
Black, 9 pieces.



White to play and mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. R-Q8, any; 2. Q, R, or B mates.

CROSSWORD



Across
1. and 5. Collect and transport a fancy red chart. (6, 3, 5)
2. The famous book "A Tale of Two Cities" was written by this author. (10)
3. A famous word of Kipling. (3)
4. According to Shakespeare, gone by. (2, 4)

Down
1. and 17. Drove I hear I (anag.). (4, 4)
2. Ample. (6)
3. Colours. (10)
4. Very close followers. (3)
5. Very used to marking time. (4)
6. End of the reach. (4)
7. The husar will wear one. (5)
8. Taken from this littered desk. (4)
9. Fair. (3)
10. Play for a strong adept. (3)

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Check Your Knowledge

1. In what sport are the terms "on guard," "feint," "parry" and "thrust" used?
2. What causes the haziness in the atmosphere during Indian Summer?
3. Who was vice-president during Franklin D. Roosevelt's first term?
4. When and by whom was the first successful use of a parachute made in a descent from a moving aeroplane?
5. Name the first king of Israel.
6. Name the king of England who was succeeded by a son and two daughters.

(Answers on Column 4)

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Chirpie Had an Invitation

—He Was Asked to go on a Great Big Picnic—

By MAX TRELL

CHIRPIE SPARROW came to the window sill for the bread crumbs which the children left for him every morning. While he was eating, Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, came to the window to find out if Chirpie had any new to tell. Chirpie was a great gossip. He always knew everything that was happening in all the gardens, and back yards, and fields, and meadows, in the neighbourhood.

After greeting Knarf and Hanid, and eating a few more crumbs, Chirpie said: "Nothing very much happened since I saw you last except that I was just invited to go on a picnic." The two shadows looked surprised.

End of Autumn

"A picnic?" Hanid said. "It's almost the end of Autumn. Isn't it too late for a picnic?"

"That's what I would have thought," said Chirpie. "But these friends of mine always go on their picnics about this time. In fact," he added, "they aren't going for a few weeks yet. They're just making their plans."

"What friends are they?" asked Knarf.

"Well," said Chirpie, "there's Red Robin and his wife Roberta, and all their children, and quite a number of aunts and uncles and cousins. Then," Chirpie went on, "there's Flip Swallow and his wife and family."

"That sounds like a big picnic," said Hanid.

"Oh, that's just the beginning," said Chirpie. "Lots more than that are going. The Wren family are going. And the Thrushes and the Larks and the Bobolinks—and a great many more. They invited

Rupert and Margot—46



While the little people are thinking what to do the great frog comes hopping across the lagoon again. "Hallo, you see I found my friend, Margot," says Rupert, "but now I can't think how to get her home. She couldn't go down that stream in the tunnel. She hasn't any Wellingtons. If we told the giant we were here do you think he would take us back? A lizard told me that the giant was a kind sort of person." The frog only blinks and looks solemn.

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RECORDED MUSIC:

RUBINSTEIN PLAYS 24 PRELUDES OF CHOPIN

By DELOS SMITH

IT may sound a little rough to say that Rubinstein "thinks" his recording of the 24 Preludes of Chopin (RCA Victor; four 12-inch); yet it is an accurate description which does not belittle his genuine and at times profound artistry.

What you object to is the business of creating drama where drama doesn't exist—of withholding a note until your nerve-responses shiver for it. The pianist is free to punctuate phrases in the manner which pleases him. Rubinstein's manner is to crowd a pause with expectancy and thus enlarge its scope while inflating its significance.

The Little Girl

This works quite well with some of the preludes. You can't remember having heard them more satisfactorily performed. But with others, you are tempted to exclaim, in your irritation, that the little girl next door could have done better. From the view of performance, however, far outweighs the objectionable and, since the recording is excellent, it is recommended.

Another premier pianist, Vladimir Horowitz, has a current album—six of the 549 sonatas of Do-

menico Scarlatti (RCA Victor; two 12-inch)—and it is one to be prized for performances rich in tone-shading, in subtly controlled dynamics, in brilliantly complicated passages executed with sharply etched clarity.

It must have been difficult to select just six sonatas from the Scarlatti treasure house. Anyone in the least familiar with any large number of the total is bound to deplore the exclusion of this one or that one. Nevertheless, these six give an exciting if much-too-brief resume of the genius of the 18th century Italian master.

Four Stein Saints

In piano music with no other aim than that of entertainment, First and Dohnany's Variations on a Nursery Theme for piano and orchestra deserves its top place and it is given a delightful performance by Cyril Smith, the young British pianist, and the Liverpool Philharmonic under Sir Malcolm Sargent (Columbia; three 12-inch). So simple is the structure that even the most unmusical can follow the derivations; yet the over-all effect is that of spell-casting.

Virgil Thomson, the contemporary American composer, has condensed for the gramophone to about one-half its original length, the opera he composed to a Gertrude Stein libretto—"Four Saints in Three Acts"—and this has been recorded by a company comprised of many members of the original cast with the composer conducting (RCA Victor; five 12-inch).

As opera it is nothing much, particularly when it is so severely condensed, unless you are enthralled by the precociousness of Miss Stein's verbiage. As music, it has simplicity and charm. I feel that the music will keep Miss Stein's Saints passably immortal.

(Tomorrow—Unusual Angles)

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Fencing. 2. It is due to floating dust particles which usually vanish during the more rainy and windy seasons. 3. John Nance Garner. 4. In 1912 by a Captain Larry at St. Louis, Missouri. 5. Saul. 6. King Henry VIII, father of Edward VI, Mary and Elizabeth.

YOUR BIRTHDAY..... By STELLA

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

BORN today, the degree of self-reliance that you show will become the measure of your eventual success. Knowing what you want out of life, you must be alert to demand it. Otherwise, many less talented than you may claim more worldly success.

Patience, determination and scrupulous attention to detail will get you into a good routine job. But to show your talents as an executive, personal initiative also is needed. You have a variety of talents, provided only you cultivate them. When you reach success, you may be considered "self-made" and many of this birthday sign who have not yet reached national prominence are actually "diamonds in the rough" who with a little more careful polishing might achieve

heights to which they do not at present dream.

Your intuitions are more than ordinarily keen and you often have almost psychic impulses. Don't hesitate to use this gift, for if you do not take advantage of it, it may disappear and with it, one of your greatest natural assets for success.

Your memory for facts and detail is extensive and this can prove invaluable to you. Inventive in mechanical matters, too, you probably will find that your best ideas come in the spring and autumn of the year. Develop them at once.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—One of your very good days, so take full advantage of all opportunities for advancement in your job.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Best for you to stick to routine. You will get the best results if you take care of important detail work.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—You can make business progress if you correlate conflicting ambitions and get going in a straight line.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Make a profit in merchandising, if you work things out right. There's romance if you're seeking it, too.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Be optimistic about the future and the chances are that everything will turn out exactly as you have planned.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—A trip of a permanent change in your environment may be an improvement. You may meet a new and exciting friend.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Transportation and marketing ideas can prove successful if you are not too timid about promoting them.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—A good day for all employees. Make considerable gains along all fronts. A promotion, due you, may be given.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Be thrifty, especially when it comes to an outlay for the home. Curb extravagance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—A possible journey to see a loved one may be today's special pleasure. Guard your health. Don't overdo.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Not a day for your best hopes to be realised. Take everything rather "slow and easy" just now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you are patient and tolerant with others, you need fear nothing. Stick close to routine for best results.

By Fred Harman

RED RYDER.

An Interruption



FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

United States Grants Loan To Israel

Washington, Jan. 19.—The United States Export-Import Bank today granted a loan of \$35,000,000 to the new Jewish State of Israel, and earmarked \$65,000,000 more for use later.

The credits are to finance the purchase in the United States of agricultural equipment materials and services.

The \$35,000,000 credit, as well as the \$65,000,000 earmarked, will carry an interest rate of 3½ percent annually, and must be repaid in 15 years.—Reuter.

Associated Press adds that the action is intended to serve as a concrete demonstration to the world that the United States Government believes that the Israeli nation is here to stay.

The credits were announced a few hours after Mr. Robert Lovett, acting US Secretary of State, had announced that the United States and Britain were trying to hammer out a common approach to the Palestine problem.

They came as Jews and Egyptians negotiated on the island of Rhodes for a truce to the Palestine fighting, and are the first credits the Israeli Government has been able to obtain from any foreign government since it proclaimed its independence last May.

Jewish sources greeted the announcement joyfully, for it gave promise of inducing many countries to grant full diplomatic recognition to Israel.

Government officials said the granting of the loans might: 1. Strengthen the hand of the present ruling regime in Israel, the Conservative Socialist Party, headed by David Ben-Gurion, before the January 26 elections. 2. Help the truce negotiations between Jews and Arabs by showing the Arabs that the American Government does not intend to abandon its longstanding support of Israel.—Associated Press.

SLIGHT GAIN ON RUBBER MARKET

Standard Contract Rubber Futures.	Prices closed as follows—
January	10.05 nominal
February	10.05
March	10.05
April	10.05
May	10.05
June	10.05
July	10.05
August	10.05
September	10.05
October	10.05
November	10.05
December	10.05
January (1950)	10.05
February	10.05
March	10.05
April	10.05
May	10.05
June	10.05
July	10.05
August	10.05
September	10.05
October	10.05
November	10.05
December	10.05
January (1950)	10.05
February	10.05
March	10.05

London, Jan. 19.—Prices in the rubber market today closed as follows: 1. Standard Contract Rubber Futures. 2. Prices closed as follows—

January/February (in pence per lb.) 11-7/16

April/June 11-7/16

July/September 11-7/16

United Press.

HONGKONG SHARES

This morning's turnover on the Stock Exchange was \$404,000. Transactions and noon prices were:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
Bank of China	1000	200	800
HSBC	720	200	920
Union	720	200	920
Underwriters	50	100	150
DOCKERS, ETC.	100	100	200
K. Wahrt (O)	100	100	200
K. Wahrt (N)	100	100	200
Shah Dock	10	10	20
LAND, ETC.	10	10	20
HK Hotel	100	100	200
HK Land	675	100	775
Shah Land	335	100	435
Humphreys (O)	145	100	245
Humphreys (N)	15	100	115
UTILITIES	200	200	400
Tram	200	200	400
Star Ferry	140	100	240
C. Light XDR	140	100	240
C. Light (N) R	140	100	240
Electric	395	395	790
Macao Electric	275	100	375
INDUSTRIALS	34	37	71
Cement	42	100	142
Rope	204	21	225
STONES, ETC.	43	43	86
Dairy (O)	43	100	143
Dairy (N)	43	100	143
Watson (O)	61	61	122
Watson (N)	61	61	122
COTTON	0.20	0.10	0.30
Ewo	0.20	0.10	0.30

N.Y. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Closing Rates, Jan. 19	US\$400/100
Argentina (Peso Official)	200
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Australia	2.25
Brazil	2.25
Belgium	2.25
Canada	2.25
Chile	2.25
England	2.25
France	2.25
India	2.25
Mexico	2.25
Netherlands	2.25
Peru	2.25
Portugal	2.25
South Africa	2.25
Sweden	2.25
Switzerland	2.25
Uruguay	2.25
Venezuela	2.25
Netherlands	2.25
Malaya	2.25
Singapore	2.25
Hongkong	2.25
Shanghai	2.25

CHICAGO GRAIN PRICES

Chicago, Jan. 19—Chicago Board of Trade closing prices today were:	WHEAT—price per bushel
May	2.25 1/2-2.25
July	2.00 1/4-2.00
May	1.40 1/4-1.40
July	1.40 1/4-1.40
May	73 1/4-73 1/4
July	69 1/4-69 1/4

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:	STERLING pound note (per £1)
US dollar (per \$1)	16.35
Gold bars (per 100)	319.00
YIC (per 100)	6.30
Siam (per 100)	23.80
Indonesian (per 100)	35.20
Gold (per 100)	37

Great Future Forecast For Ramie

New York, Jan. 19.—An ancient fibre once used by the Egyptians for wrapping mummies is being produced in the United States, and may soon turn up in clothing shops.

The fibre—ramie—is a shrub belonging to the stinging nettle family, but without the stinging hairs common among nettles.

For years many countries have attempted to exploit ramie, but have been unable to develop a technique to refine it. Today science has mastered that problem, according to "Natural History," a publication of the American Museum of Natural History.

The publication reports that the plant grows easily in southern and south-western states and that several companies have been growing ramie on a large scale in the rich mud of the Everglades. New machines economically remove the bark and pulp surrounding the ramie fibres without damaging the fibres themselves. This has been a big stumbling block in the production of ramie fibre.

Ramie, according to the Museum's publication, is a "part" fibre. Like hemp. That is, a fibre produced from stalks and not of cotton from bloom. In tensile strength and also in resistance to mildew and rotting, ramie is "far superior to cotton or linen." It has eight times the strength of cotton and seven times the strength of silk.

The Museum publication notes that the great promise for ramie fibre in the United States and points out some of its possibilities. It can make a corduroy definitely better than cotton corduroy, inexpensive suitings which "cannot be distinguished from wool," conveyor belts, longer-wearing bed sheets, pillow cases, towelling, draperies and upholstery fabrics. Also, according to the report, ramie fibre may be used to make banknotes with better wearing qualities than the present brand.—United Press.

Polish Metal Production

Warsaw, Jan. 19.—Production by Polish metal industries in former Eastern German lands this year is expected to reach a value of \$17,300,000, the semi-official newspaper "Rzeczpospolita" reported.

The paper said that 45,000 workers were now employed in plants in the Western territories. The total, it said, represented 27 per cent of all metal workers in Poland.

"Rzeczpospolita" said the industry had made rapid strides since the end of the war.

It added that the industry was now producing eight times more locomotives than in 1939; twice as many railway freight cars; nearly three times as much farm machinery, and four times as many lathes. Production figures were not given.—Associated Press.

US Shipbuilding

New York, Jan. 19.—The number of ships under construction in the United States was increased by 117,000 tons during the last quarter of 1948, while the total world tonnage declined.

Lloyd's register of shipping reported that during the quarter year ending December 31, 1948, the United States had 406,940 tons of shipping under construction, compared with 280,012 tons for the quarter ending September 30.—United Press.

Indonesians Appeal For War Supplies

MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED TO 20 ASIAN NATIONS

New Delhi, Jan. 19. — Indonesian Republicans today appealed to nations of the East for arms and ammunition with which to fight the Dutch. They submitted their request in an 8,000-word memorandum to representatives of 20 Eastern nations assembling here to consider backing the Indonesians' hand against the Netherlands.

An Asian conference is to open here on Thursday, under the leadership of India's Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru. The memorandum also asked for money, textiles, medicines—"everything necessary for a Government to function." Although the Dutch arms, the Indonesian Republicans are waging guerrilla warfare and have their own underground government.

They outlined a programme of "direct aid" they want the other nations to give. They want all of them to furnish a Dutch ship entering their harbours and seize military or semi-military equipment, and to follow India, Pakistan and Ceylon in closing their airfields to Dutch planes.

The Indonesians announced they have chosen India as their foreign affairs base—a sort of foreign office in exile.

A commission headed by Mr. A. A. Marumkis, former Finance Minister, will be established here to co-ordinate relations with other governments, an official spokesman for the Indonesians announced. Delegates are keeping touch, also, with UN Security Council members on a United States plan for peace in Indonesia.

Indonesians are not represented formally at the Delhi conference but will have a lot to say. They will present their views officially in a memorandum and through other delegations.

HELP TO THE WORLD

Mr. Nehru and other Indian spokesmen have said repeatedly they are not trying to weld an Asian bloc to oppose Western countries. Their sole objective they insist, is to support the United Nations' efforts to restore peace in Indonesia.

Dutch diplomats here were silent about the meeting. US Ambassador Loy Henderson said: "Any regional conference which intends to support the United Nations will be of great help to the world."

In Batavia, former Republican Premier Sutan Sjahrir said in an interview he hopes the Indian conference will "not be a mere demonstration, but can bring forth something concrete."

Mr. Sjahrir, describing the imprisonment of Republican President Soekarno, gave a clue to part of what the Indonesians may tell the Indian session.

He said that when he left Prabrat, in North Sumatra, for his meeting with Dutch Premier William Drees on Tuesday, Mr. Soekarno and Foreign Minister Agus Salim, were behind barred-wire barricades guarded by "Dutch soldiers. He said they were confined to a wired-in house, and yard—Associated Press.

HATTA FREED

A Dutch spokesman announced that the Republican Premier, Mr. Mohamud Hatta, and five other Indonesian leaders, have been released from the single room in which they were held captive, and now have freedom of the island of Bangka.

Mr. Drees plans to leave Batavia on Thursday to return to Holland after two weeks of study of Indonesian problems. He is cutting short his stay because of illness, but said his mission was about completed.

The Indonesian problem is under study, too, by the United Nations Security Council at Lake Success. A Council meeting on the subject, originally scheduled for today, has been delayed until tomorrow.

A proposed American plan for settlement calls for progressive withdrawal of Dutch troops and creation of an independent United States of Indonesia by April 1950.—Associated Press.

ECONOMIC SANCTIONS

New Delhi, Jan. 19.—The Indonesian Republic today called upon Asian nations to support with arms, ammunition, money and economic sanctions its demand for complete independence by September 1 this year.

In a lengthy memorandum presented to members of the Asian Conference, convening here tomorrow, the Indonesians laid down a timetable for United Nations action, but

emphasised that if the Security Council failed to act then the Asian nations must take matters into their own hands and force the Dutch from the Netherlands East Indies.

In addition, the Indonesians recommended that the Asian Conference ask the Security Council to lay down a three-point order to the Dutch for the:

1. Withdrawal of all Dutch troops by March 1 this year to lines held on December 18 last year.
2. Formation of an Indonesian interim government by June 1 and then complete sovereignty for the Republic by September 1.
3. Withdrawal of all Dutch troops from Indonesian territory by September 1.

"We want the Asian conference to put all the foregoing into a resolution to be submitted to the Security Council," said Dr Soemihro, the Indonesian representative to the United Nations. He said if the Security Council adopted the recommendations and the Dutch failed to comply, then the Indonesians wanted the Security Council to apply Articles 41 and 42 of the Charter, calling for the United Nations to sever diplomatic relations and air and sea communications with the Dutch and apply diplomatic and economic sanctions.—United Press.

MISUSE OF LANGUAGE

London, Jan. 19.—Lord Swinton, former Conservative Air Minister, speaking on Indonesia in the House of Lords today, asserted that "the Netherlands Government have the same responsibilities there as the British Government in Malaya."

He said the Dutch colonial administration had been active in co-operation with the Indonesians, and claimed to have established some authoritative government.

It was very doubtful if some of the negotiators had the will to reach a settlement in Indonesia.

"It must not be forgotten that some of these men had been active collaborators with the Japanese and remained so up till the end."

"After 18 months of frustration, the Dutch Government decided to act as we had acted in Malaya to restore order. In view of the events which preceded the immediate and rapid success of a comparatively small Dutch force, it is surely a misuse of language to call this aggression."

The rapid Communist advances in China would give fresh encouragement to the Communists in Burma and Indo-China. "It is surely vital to our common interest and security that Indonesia should be peaceful and prosperous," said Lord Swinton.

BRITISH COUNSEL

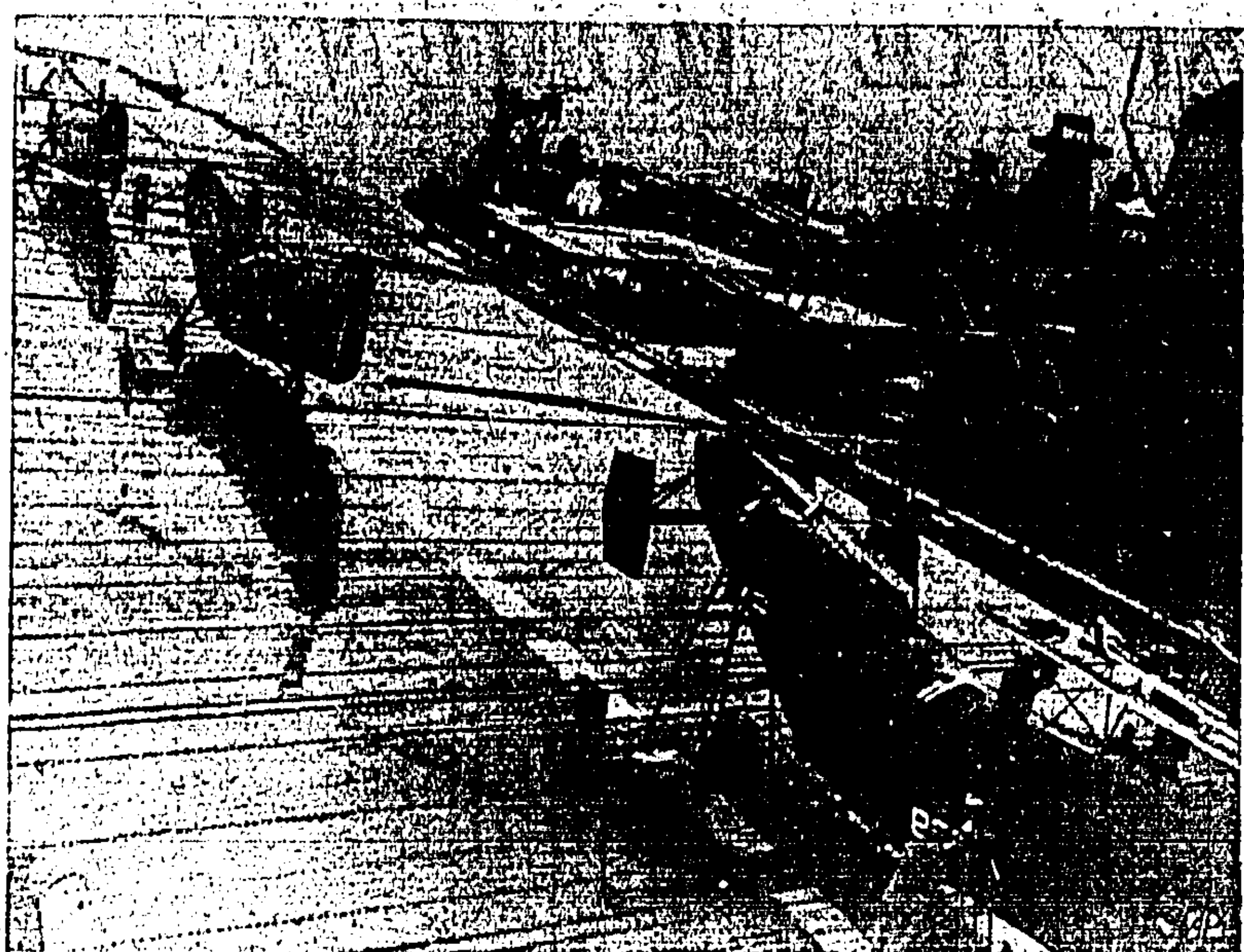
Lord Henderson, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, claimed that the British Government had gone to great lengths to counsel patience and moderation on both sides in the Indonesian dispute.

"The Government greatly deplore the fact that the Dutch Government felt it necessary to resort once more to force, and cannot but feel that the possibilities of a settlement by negotiations through the Good Offices Committee have not been exhausted in spite of previous failures," he added.

"The situation in Indonesia, today, resulting from the action of the Netherlands, is still confused, and we must await the report of the United Nations observers to assess the position correctly. We certainly desire, however, as a prerequisite for the establishment of an Interim Government the full release of the Republican leaders from the present confinement so that they may be allowed to negotiate freely with the Dutch and non-Republican Indonesians for the establishment of an Interim Government."

Lord Milverton, President of the Association of British Malaya, said "the action of the Dutch is fundamentally right," and accused the British Government of "standing by in palsied indecision."

Lord Pethick-Lawrence, former Secretary for India and Burma, said Lord Milverton's attitude was contrary to the facts. Britain looks on active part in pacifying the country.—Reuter.



SPLIT IN WORLD TRADE UNIONISM

Paris, Jan. 19.—The threatened East-West split in world trade unionism became a fact today. The British, United States and The Netherlands members walked out of this morning's sitting of the Executive Bureau of the World Federation of Trade Unions in Paris.

World Youth Council To Meet

London, Jan. 19.—Youth Organisations of 45 United Nations countries have been invited to send delegates to a Provisional Council for a new International Youth Assembly to be convened from February 14 to 18. The Council will meet at Berkhamsstead.

The assembly was formed at an International Youth Conference held last August in London.

Main business of the Provisional Council will be to consider resolutions, getting ready to ratify the Assembly's charter and lay plans for the first full Council. This probably will be held next summer.

Purpose of the Assembly, as defined in the charter, is to:

1. "Foster international understanding."
2. "Strive towards an adequate service of the needs of youth."
3. "Enable youth itself to take an active part in the field of international co-operation."
4. "Maintain relations with international voluntary and inter-governmental organisations."

COUNTRIES INVITED

Countries invited to send delegates to the Provisional Council are Afghanistan, Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Burma, Byelorussia, Canada, Ceylon, China, Columbia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, the Dominican Republic, Egypt, France, Greece, Haiti, Iceland, India, Iran, Iraq, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Philippines, Republic of Poland, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, South Africa, USSR, United Kingdom, the United States, Uruguay, Venezuela and Yugoslavia.

Invitations also will go to colonies, protectorates and mandated territories represented at the August conference.

Observers will be invited from Eire, Finland, Italy, Portugal, and Switzerland.—Associated Press.

Prince Olaf In London

London, Jan. 19.—Prince Olaf of Norway arrived in London today, after spending the first two days of his visit to Britain as the guest of King George and Queen Elizabeth at their country residence at Sandringham, Norfolk. He also saw Princess Elizabeth, the Duke of Edinburgh, their baby Prince Charles, Princess Margaret and Queen Mary, who are in residence at Sandringham.

Tomorrow and on Friday, Prince Olaf will attend the meeting in London of the International Yacht Racing Union, of which he is a committee member.

He is expected to attend the 25th anniversary dinner of the Norwegian Club in London tomorrow evening. A Norwegian Embassy official said that apart from his attendance at the Yacht Racing Union, the Prince's visit was strictly private.

He returns home on Saturday.—Reuter.

Bubonic Plague In Hyderabad

Dombay, Jan. 20.—Bubonic plague has broken out in Hyderabad state. Military Government figures released on Wednesday from the Indian-occupied state said 59 deaths occurred there in the week ending January 1. Mass inoculations are being carried out.—Associated Press.

Three banana-shaped helicopters rest on the flight deck of the U.S. aircraft carrier Salpan, at Norfolk, Virginia. Just before it departed for Greenland to rescue 13 stranded U.S. Air Force men. The big twin-rotor helicopters carry eight passengers each. (AP Wirephoto).

DISPOSAL OF EX-ITALIAN COLONIES

NEW PROPOSALS DISCUSSED

London, Jan. 19.—Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, today received the Italian Ambassador to London, Duke Tomaso Gallarati Scotti. Mr. Bevin undertook to consider the new proposals for disposing of the former Italian colonies which the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Carlo Sforza, and Mr. Robert Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, discussed at Cannes last year.

The Italian Government is not committed to the proposals, which Mr. Schuman also described to Mr. Bevin during his visit to London last week.

According to usually well-informed quarters in London, Mr. Bevin will wish to consult with the United States before giving a definite opinion on the new plan.

Mr. Schuman is reliably understood to have proposed to Mr. Bevin that Italy should be given a share in the administration of Northern Eritrea, including the ports of Massawa and Asmara.

Southern Eritrea by this plan, would go to Ethiopia.

According to the new plan for Libya, discussed today between Mr. Bevin and the Italian Ambassador, Italy would also have a share in the administration of Tripolitania.

It is considered in London that Britain will maintain her claim to the trusteeship of Cyrenaica. Mr. Schuman is believed to have staked a claim last week for French administration of the Fezzan, in Southern Libya.

It is learned from a usually reliable source that the Italian Ambassador also informed Mr. Bevin that Italy will be glad to be a member of the future Council of Europe in whatever form it emerges from the current discussions in Paris of the European Unity Committee.—Reuter.

Three Killed In Calcutta Riots

Calcutta, Jan. 19.—Three people were killed and over 30 injured today in clashes between crowds of young men and police. The police opened fire twice after tear gas charges had failed to disperse the crowds. About 100 arrests were made.

Rioters, trying to pull passengers from public vehicles, brought public transport in the University area to a standstill.

Crude bombs were thrown at running trams and buses in three places in the city but no one was reported injured. The clashes occurred when young men, including students, defying an order against processions, tried to march to the police mortuary to demand the bodies of four persons killed by police fire yesterday.—Reuter.

Burmese Rebels Burn Houses

Rangoon, Jan. 19.—Insurgents set ablaze 500 houses in a small town 40 miles south of Moulmein, an official communiqué said tonight. It added that Karen tribesmen also burned three villages in the Maubin district of the Irrawaddy Delta, where several hundred people had been left homeless.

The civilian population in Pantannaw, 50 miles west of Rangoon, were stated to be fleeing into the interior after insurgent attacks.—Reuter.

All Tudor Aircraft Grounded

London, Jan. 19.—The Government today suspended from service all Tudor-IV airliners used by the State-owned British South American Airways Corporation. The decision came within 48 hours of the loss between Bermuda and Jamaica, with 20 persons on board, of the Star Ariel, an airliner of this type.

Sir Roy Dobson, managing director of the company which built the Tudors, asserted the loss of the Star Ariel was "completely beyond understanding."

He said the possibility of sabotage could not be entirely discounted. Tudor-IV aircraft were suspended from service from February 1 to August last year after one of them, the Star Tiger, disappeared on a flight from the Azores to Bermuda. No trace of the plane was ever found.

The British South American Airways Corporation, in an announcement today, said the plane's flight from Bermuda to Kingston was estimated to last five hours 25 minutes. Sufficient fuel was carried for 11 hours flying time.

NO SIGNALS

The statement added that for the first hour communications with the ground control were normal. No subsequent signals were received from the airliner.

"The Corporation has decided that in addition to the normal overhaul and maintenance procedures, a special examination of each individual Tudor-IV aircraft now in service shall be carried out."

"This will involve suspension of the Corporation's Tudor services for the time being."

The announcement of the suspension of the Tudor services was made in the House of Lords today by Lord Pakenham, the Minister of Civil Aviation.

He said the loss of the Tudor liner Star Ariel must now be presumed although the search was continuing.—Reuter.

ABETZ LEAVES LONDON

London, Jan. 19.—Otto Abetz, former German Ambassador in Paris, left London by air for Paris today escorted by two army officers. He was flown to England last week for questioning by the British military authorities concerning the German army commanders, Field Marshal von Rundstedt and Fritz Erich von Manstein, who are awaiting trial for war crimes.

Abetz was arrested in the French Zone of Germany in October 1945 and has since been detained, awaiting charges concerning war crimes.—Reuter.

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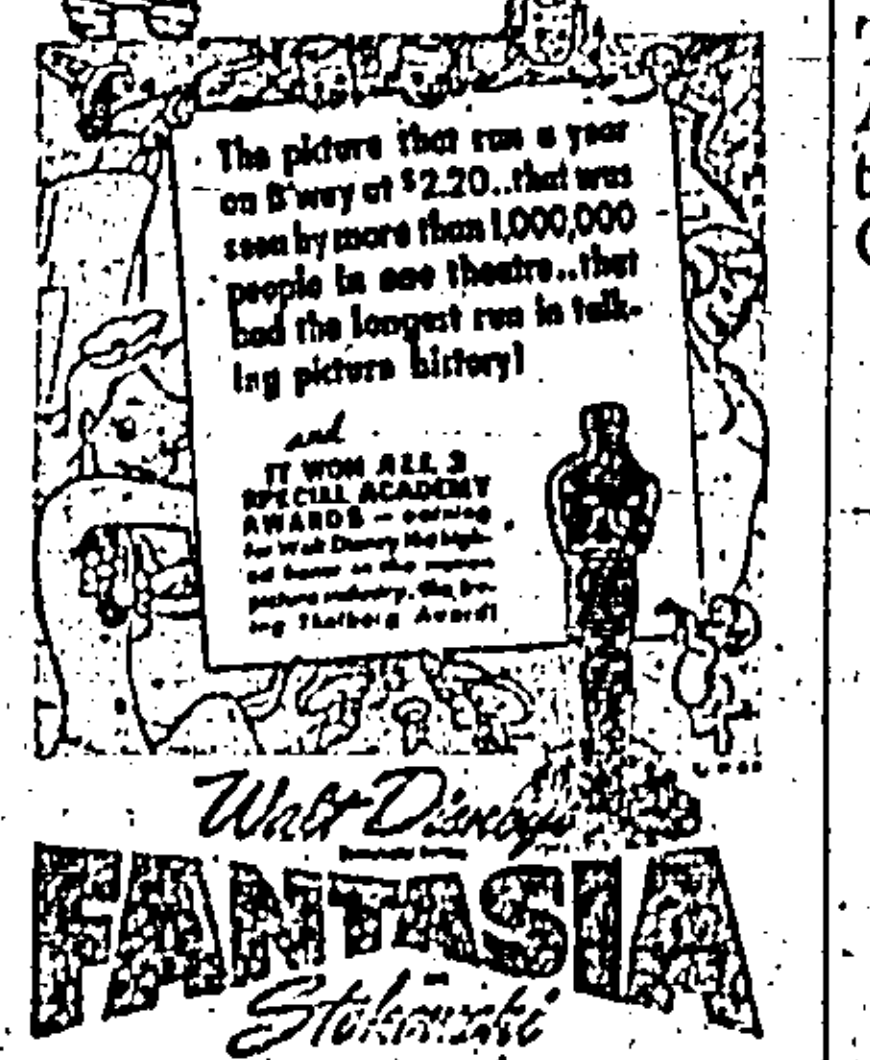
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